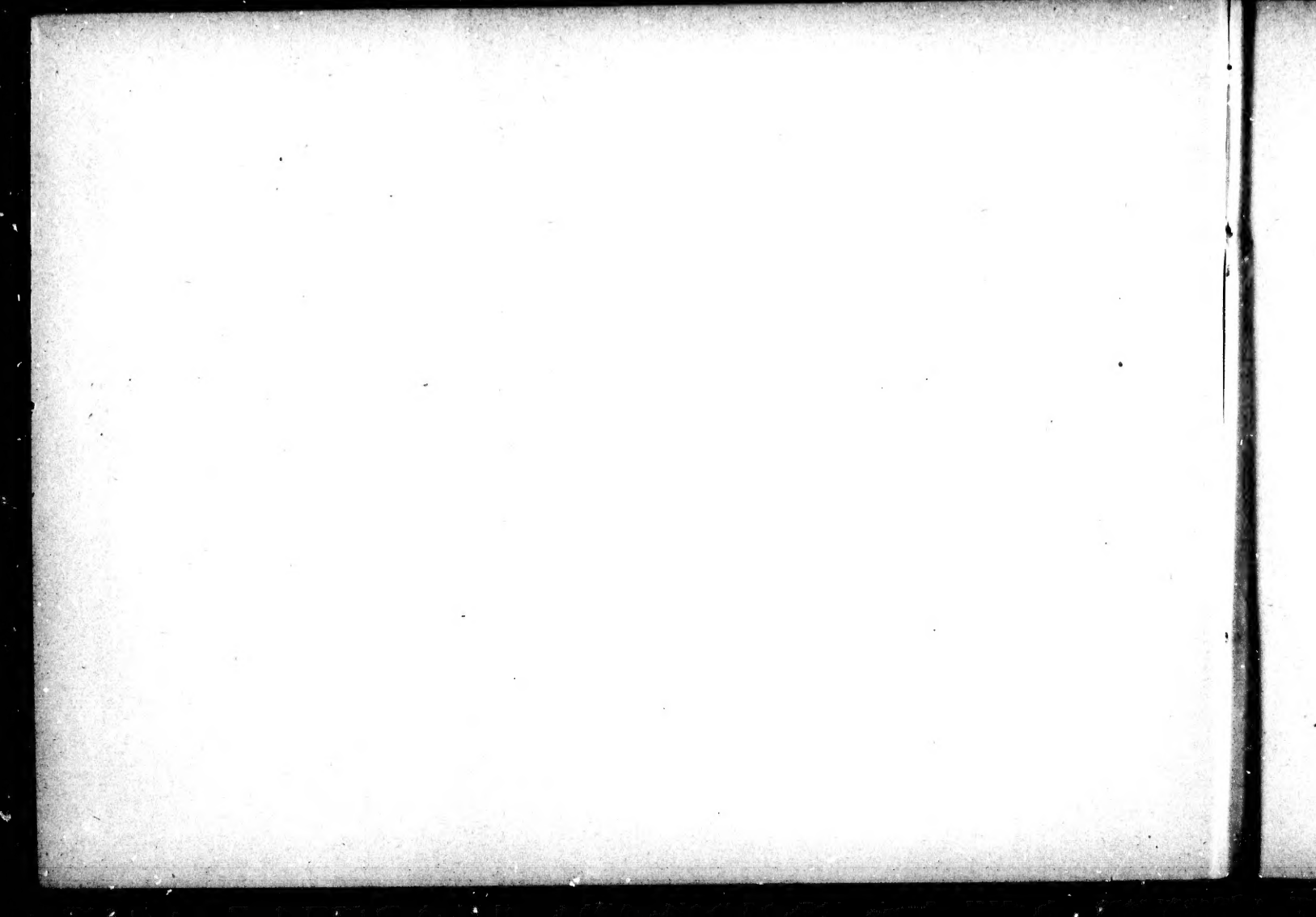




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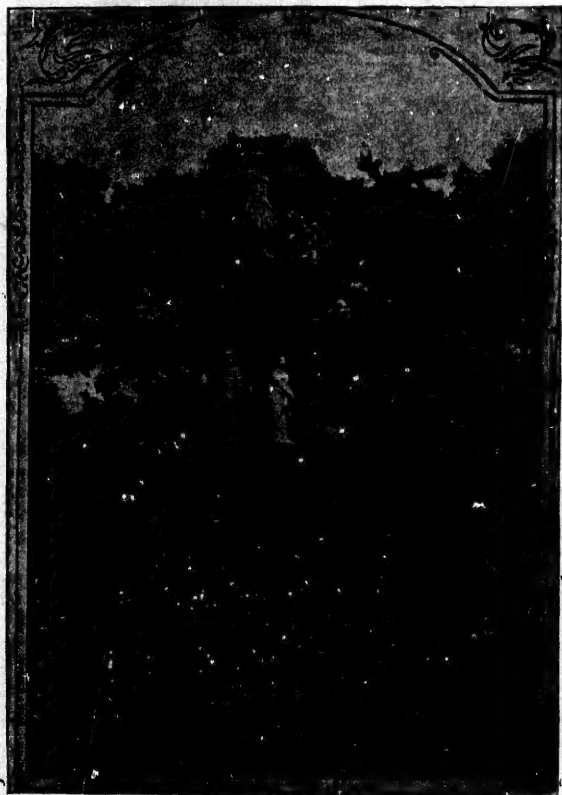
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**T**OWERING triumphantly on the northern shore of the majestic Lake Ontario, Toronto not only figures as the capital city of the Province of Ontario, but presents in her commercial history a record of advancement, an epitome of industrial progress and a chapter in itself redundant of individual and collective instances of energy and enterprise to which few communities of the New World can rightly lay claim. Toronto's career from the date of her foundation by Governor Simcoe in 1794, under the nomenclature of York, has indeed been more than remarkable, her annals dealing solely with the high water mark of the industrial tide of each successive generation. We point our remarks in this connection by suggesting a mere method of inferential discussion. Thus, not many years ago a statistical brochure was issued in America with the view of proving that St. Louis was *geographically* the central city of the world, and that eventually it must become the *commercial* center, and



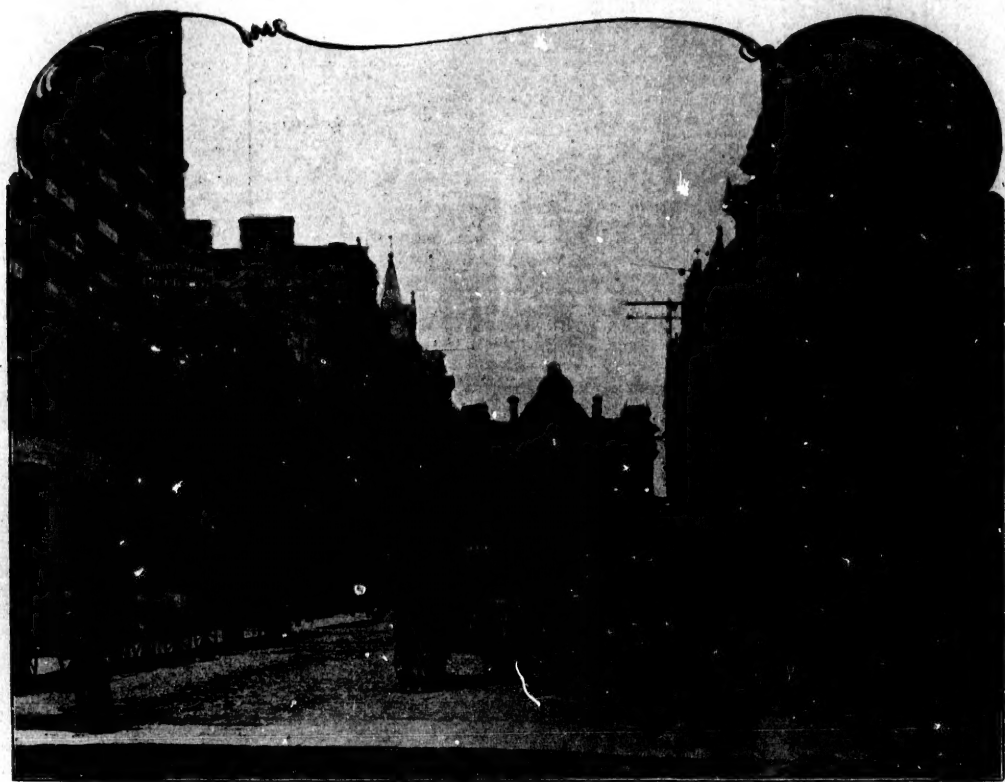
very plausible reasons were given to prove the statement. The immense resources of the country of which it was the center in iron, coal, gold, silver and cotton, and its growing manufactures, were used to show its probable destiny. Toronto, on the other hand puts forward no such claim, and yet while Winnipeg may be more properly considered the geographical center of the Dominion, a glance at the map will show the splendid position of Toronto as a commercial center, and it is safe to say that in the near future no city on the Canadian continent at least will be more celebrated for general attractiveness viewed from the standpoint of either art, manufactures or general commerce. Who, indeed, some few years ago dared have predicted (with the expectancy of a semblance of belief in such prophecy), that a traveler could take the car at the Union Station or at the foot of Yonge street, and check his baggage through to Yokohama or Hong Kong? And yet such a feat in transportation facilities seems to-day to point, rather to the rule than the exception. The completion of the connection at Callander, making the route from New York to Winnipeg via Toronto the most direct, will at once give her all rail communication with the great Northwest and the Pacific, equally good in winter as in summer. Toronto is fast becoming the wholesale center of the Dominion. Once Quebec enjoyed the good luck, but for some reason or other, a blight fell on the ancient capital, and the business houses that flourished on Saint Peter street forty years ago are there no longer. Montreal for years back did the bulk of the business, but for the last fifteen at least, Toronto has been slowly, yet none the less surely, asserting her commercial sway, and at the present rate of progress, it may be safely augured that Toronto will be well in the van of Montreal from a manufacturing and trading point of view in but a few brief years. Toronto possesses one advantage which alone is sufficient to account for her success. The same advantage comprehends a choice of seaports, and the competition in freight and charges which such desideratum confers. Toronto can receive importations either by the St. Lawrence or by New York, and control the same facilities with regard to exports. If, indeed, Toronto eventually becomes the wholesale center of Canadian trade, many

other things of an advantageous character must necessarily follow, not the least of which to be anticipated is the permanent establishment of the headquarters of the Grand Trunk Railway at this point. The present trend of events leading up to the consummation of this idea may be deduced from the statement of the fact that steadily year after year, Montreal houses have been opening branches, or removing their entire business interests to Toronto, and, indeed, it may be regarded as a moot point in this year of grace, 1893, whether the "Queen City of Canada" is not in reality now marching ahead of the commercial and manufacturing procession of the entire Dominion.

#### STATISTICS OF GROWTH.

It will not be deemed out of place to state the present condition of affairs, and then analyze the reason for their growth, the former in itself demonstrating and confirming the latter. Although there is an abundance of romance to be found in the year-to-year chronicles, the history of such a city for business purposes is best written in sober figures. Toronto commenced business as a city fifty-nine years ago with a population of less than 10,000. To-day that population aggregates some quarter million of inhabitants, the returns of the decennial census of the Dominion by the Government in 1891 accounting for upward of 200,000. Should the rate of increase not diminish, another few decades will see in the site of the present Toronto a city of upward of 500,000, prevailing conditions now enabling Toronto to take rank with the cities of the second class as to population throughout the British Empire. There are only forty-seven larger cities in the British dominions, and England, herself, can only boast of eighteen which have a greater population.

Toronto is larger than Aberdeen, Cork, Derby, Greenock, Halifax, Huddersfield, Northampton, Norwich, Plymouth, Preston, Southampton or Stockport. There are only seven larger cities in Germany; nineteen in the United States; seven in France, and seven in Russia. It will be easily seen, too, from the position of Toronto that she must continue to extend her borders, reaching out within a comparatively short time to embrace all the present suburbs, which



TORONTO STREET, SHOWING POST OFFICE.



**CORNER OF YONGE AND KING STREETS.**

The building next to Dominion Bank, on King Street frontage, is now being replaced by a modern four-story building.

will finally become incorporated as one great city. Indeed, already one suburb which some ten years ago was a series of farms, with cottages scattered here and there, was incorporated in 1885, and its large population, its crowded streets, its handsome stores and private residences, well entitle it to the dignity of a town—and this is Parkdale. As an instance in point, therefore, the actual census enumeration of population dwelling within the corporate limits is no exhibit of the population of the community who follow their avocations in what is popularly known as Toronto; and there can be but little question but that the decennial census of 1891 failed to show the true population of Toronto as a community. Where the aggregation of population, property and imports is so forcibly shown in a period of fifty odd years, during which Toronto has been, from increased manufacturing skill and facilities in commercial influence, gathering magnetic force as well, it is reasonable to believe that similar statistics of Toronto in the future will repeat what the past shows. And we may ask—why should not this be the case? Ability to receive and distribute quickly and cheaply the multiforms of traffic is an all important factor in estimating the value of a location as a point for profitable business investment, and as indicating the possibilities of progress. Now it cannot be gainsaid but that Toronto's geographically superior position not only remains the same, but that her railway system is more comprehensive than ever. In fact it has to be admitted that the enormous development of Toronto of recent years is largely the result of a liberal policy which has brought the railroads of the Province, and with them a large portion of the northern and western sections, to her doors. There are again to be added to this the public spirit of the people, the business enterprise of the merchants, the good sanitary condition of the city, and the presence of all those religious and other metropolitan advantages which persons retiring from active business life elsewhere vainly seek. In this increase of population alone, and the business that will have attracted it, and the business that will be increased by the increase, are there not possibilities for capital, merchants, skilled mechanics and industrious workmen worth thinking of? It may possibly be a partial pen that indites the sentence, but it certainly seems that, viewed from any and every standpoint, PROGRESS is the indelible handwriting on the walls of Canada's

rightly-named "Queen City." From whatever point approached she presents all the elements and aspects of metropolitan life. On every hand are to be seen unmistakable evidences of material wealth and prosperity, of comfort and luxury, of taste, culture and refinement; while on the principal shopping thoroughfares, lined with mammoth and truly magnificent mercantile establishments, all the features of the metropolis are even still more noticeable. The business portion of the city, too, is admirably laid out, and the streets, which are broad and pleasant, are splendidly paved, regular, and kept in first-class order. Even the street nomenclature is suggestive, appropriate and original, there being nothing whatever provincial about the Torontonians. In the matter of architecture, Toronto is without compare—in advance of any city of equal size in the Western Hemisphere—and the arts and sciences are cultivated and encouraged in a most praiseworthy manner, while in every department of industry, commerce and trade, the activity prevailing hereabouts is especially worthy of note. But above and beyond all other features of progress, Toronto is a city of homes, numbering amongst its citizens more actual householders and more prospective owners than any community of the same area and population in the entire country; and to this highly gratifying fact, the people—for the workers, the men of energy and enterprise, *are* the people here—point with pardonable pride and pleasure. And yet there are those still in the flesh and vigorous here in Toronto, who can remember the time when not one-fourth of the buildings now standing within the present corporate limits of this beautiful and flourishing city, with its vast, varying and ever-increasing industrial, commercial and financial interests, had been erected. The story of the origin, growth and progress of Canada's "Queen City" is brimful of human interest, of stirring incidents and wonderful achievements, and many names prominently associated therewith will live for ever in the annals of Toronto.

#### THE TALE OF TORONTO'S EARLY HISTORY BRIEFLY TOLD.

When it is remembered that at the dawn of the nineteenth century, this place was a veritable swamp, and its existence almost unknown except to the aborigines; that for a decade later it was the camping-

ground of the red man, and Toronto (which signifies a "place of meeting") was known only as a French stockade and trading post, the subsequent upbuilding of the city to the proud position it now occupies as the Queen of Canada's commercial centres, finds no parallel in the history of this or any other country. That the crude and insignificant "meeting place" of French and Indian traders could, by the brain and hand of man, be transformed in such a comparatively short period to the majestic city of to-day—the products of whose mills, factories and workshops are shipped all over the planet, is nothing less than marvellous, even in the light of contemporaneous Canadian or American history, and has won for those whose genius and enterprise these notable achievements have accomplished a niche in the temple of fame.

#### THE CITY'S FOUNDER.

Writing a history of Toronto, however brief or epitomized, the successful chronicler must begin by paying his respects to the city's founder, and while this honor has rightly been attributed to the first Governor of the Province of Ontario, the loyal Major-General John Graves Simcoe, it is none the less a fact that Toronto had a much earlier history than that directly associated with his name. At least half a century before Simcoe came to enter upon his administrative duties, in what was then a forest wilderness, the French, as already intimated, had established a trading post. This post, which was known sometimes as Fort Toronto and sometimes as Fort Rouillé, was destroyed in 1756 to prevent its falling into the hands of the English. In the interim subsequent to the evacuation of the post by the French till within the last ten years of the century, solitude reigned supreme; the whole region was in a state of nature. In 1791 Pitt had passed in the Parliament of the Mother Country, the measure which divided "France in the New World" into the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada. To give effect to the measure the new province to be wrested from the wilderness was to have its bounds set, it was to be given a Constitution, and a Lieutenant-Governor was to be sent out to call into existence the machinery of government and to administer the Provincial affairs. The choice of a Governor fell upon Major-General Simcoe, son of a naval officer who

had served with Wolfe at Quebec, and himself an active and heroic campaigner in the Revolutionary War. As the commander of the "Queen's Rangers," a royalist corps which had been raised in the revolted Colonies, and had there done loyal service for the Crown, the choice was a fitting one. It was this chiefly, since it placed at the head of the Civil Government a tried officer of the King, that had won the confidence of the band of Loyalists which had settled in Upper Canada when the Colonies had achieved independence.

#### THE SITE CHOSEN.

At this period, the population of the then unchosen site of Toronto was comprehended in the families of two Mississauga Indians, whose solitary wigwams were pitched on the wooded shore of the harbor and lake. The exact time of the sale of this site does not distinctively appear. It is difficult to determine the exact period when the sale of the site of Toronto was actually consummated, but from what we can glean from reliable historical sources, it would appear that the exchange of a few shillings and plenty of bad whiskey brought the negotiation to an issue between the white man and the aboriginal Indian. The selection of a desirable location also seems to have been a vexed point, Kingston and London being primarily surveyed till eventually the region encompassed by the rivers Don and Humber was decided upon.

#### EVENTS IN THE TRANSITION OF "MUDDY YORK" TO MAGNIFICENT TORONTO.

It would enlarge this book far beyond the prescribed bounds to attempt to narrate in detail the history of Toronto from the selection of her site till she assumed her present well deserved status as the "Queen City of Canada," and space, therefore, is only permitted for the more prominent events. Suffice it to say, then, that when Simcoe made choice of his capital, he went energetically to work to create it. To those who for a moment consider the metropolitan city of 1893, and try and comprehend that a century ago this great hive of industry, commerce and art was represented by the Governor's canvas tent, and two large and crudely constructed halls styled by courtesy the Courts of Justice and

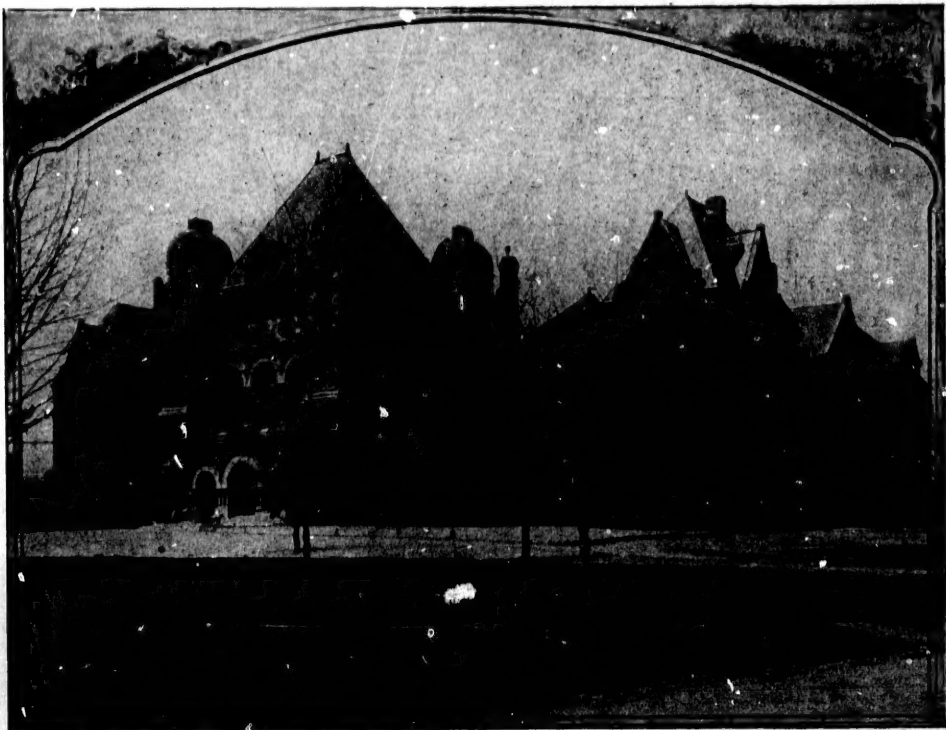


the Provincial Legislature, will have to admit that truly marvellous has been the transformation. At first the growth of the town was slow, though it was aided by incoming bands of United Empire Loyalists, who, at the close of the American Revolution, gladly forfeited home and country to live on, even in a wilderness, under the old flag. A portion of the brain element devoted itself in the youthful community to professional life and the cares of office; while the muscle-and-fibre contingent took to the humbler, yet useful, tasks of agriculture and trade, and the building of a town to dwell in. On the occasion of the first meeting of Parliament in the infant capital, the town was christened York in honor of the King's soldier son, and for years, owing to the marshy surroundings, the future capital city of the Province of Ontario was nicknamed, derisively, "Muddy York." The city bore the name of York up to the year 1834, when with incorporation, it resumed its old Mohawk designation of Toronto.

#### THE WAR OF 1812.

Early in 1812, from the activity in American military preparations it became evident that war was imminent, and very noble is the story of this era in the annals of the young commonwealth. It would appear, indeed,

that although war was declared, nominally, against Great Britain, its brunt fell almost wholly upon Canada. Nor was Canadian valour wanting in force or effect through the long and bitter



PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.



struggle, the conflict, despite the burning and sacking of the town on two occasions, closing with well-won honors for the brave little colony. It was not till the signing of the Treaty of Ghent in 1814, that fair oppor-

tunity was offered for the resumption of peaceful pursuits, and for a lengthened period subsequent to that date both city and province suffered severely from the paralyzing effects of the war. With the return

of peace, however, despite hampering after-effects of this type, York set itself the task of laying anew the foundations of its material advancement. Immigration set in and increase of numbers not only gave a fresh impulse to the city, but led to the further development of the province. Attention was also directed to improving the facilities of communication by land and water, and this period is to be credited with the organization of steam transit on the lakes. Provision for education was also made about this time, with other extensions of the intellectual and social life of the community—in a word, the rude nursings of war had cradled the city's limbs into lusty life. The year 1812 gave Dr. Strachan, the zealous and self-sacrificing organizer of the "Loyal and Patriotic Society" for the succour of those wounded in the war, and took from the field of honor that gallant English officer Sir Isaac Brock, who fell mortally wounded in the fierce engagement on Queenston Heights.



OSGOODE HALL.

TORONTO FROM THE CLOSE OF THE WAR OF 1812, TO  
DATE OF THE "SEDITIONS RISING."

In 1815 the census enumerators record the town's possessions as 300 buildings, with a population of 2,500 souls. Ten years later the Canada Land Company, under its commissioner, John Galt, began its operations; the sciences of natural history and philosophy burst into local blossom, and society had its first public assembly and grand ball. Presently, Toronto neared the second great episode in its civic life. Sir John Colborne in 1828 had come upon the scene, and four years previously Lyon Mackenzie had founded the *Colonial Advocate*. It was a period of great activity; Osgoode Hall was being built; the foundations of Upper Canada College were laid; the King's College (now the Toronto University) had received its charter. The little troubles which had, however, tended to mar the progress of the colony now appeared in the shape of widespread political strife and dissension. An autocratic administrative system in time gave birth to evils sure to be resisted in a community of freemen. The framework of the Province was shaken in its socket, fanned to fever heat by the idiosyncrasies of personal government and the interposition of a political cabal known as the "Family Compact." Some idea may be formed of the unsettled condition of Toronto at this period from a perusal of the following scathing excerpt from the journal of William Lyon Mackenzie, the then Mayor of Toronto: "The settlers are leaving the country in thousands for lands less favored by nature, but blessed with free institutions and just government. The merchants are going to ruin one after the other, even sycophancy and degrading scurrility have failed to save them this time." Mackenzie's aim and object seem to have tended towards the establishment of a republic, and the outcome of his inflammatory utterances culminated in the rebel Mackenzie rising, the story of which may be briefly summed up, being, as it indeed was, as short-lived as it was ill-advised. Early in December, 1837, an insurgent force gathered to the north of Toronto and for some days menaced the capital. Had the town been at once marched upon, it must have fallen into the hands of the rebels. Luckily the attack was arrested by procrastination, which gave time for the defence of the town, by the resort to it of a body of

loyal militia. The latter met the insurgents, but only to see them run. A responsible government being secured at last, chiefly through the political tact of Lord Durham, gave reign to the activities of industrial and commercial development.

## A RETROSPECT AND FORECAST.

Carved out of the primeval forest and rising from the little primitive settlement in the wilderness to the majestic city of to-day, with nearly its quarter million inhabitants, vast wealth, immense industries, commerce and trade, in an incredibly brief period, Toronto has had a glorious past. The story of her rise and progress has no parallel in the history of the continent. The story of the present, too, is but a continuation of the past, and the future is undoubtedly replete with permanent and prosperous promise. Give this bustling city a few more decades, and it is destined to take rank among the foremost of transatlantic cities. Just pause, and imagine for a moment, when a ride from the Parliament buildings was a trip into the country! To-day look at the city confines! The little handful of citizens so small that each knew the other by name has grown to a mighty population among whom is spoken every civilized language of the globe. Time and space are practically annihilated and the march of progress is upward and onward. And in view of a record of two generations, with her favorable geographical situation, unrivalled natural advantages and splendid facilities, it requires no great draft on the bank of imagination to foresee the fulsome future of this veritable "Queen" of the Canadian provinces.

TORONTO'S TRIUMPHAL MARCH OF PROGRESS FROM  
1850 TO THE PRESENT DAY.

Allowing for the drawbacks superinduced by the stagnation of commerce incidental to the close of the decade of the fifties, and the retarding influences of racial and political strife, Toronto's progress during the past forty odd years may be said to have been truly triumphal, the year 1867 culminating in the achievement of an ample status of national Alliance from which the "Queen City of Canada" may be said to have made a fresh

start in the race for advancement in any and all directions. It may be said, with truth, indeed, that in 1867, a new era of union began for the older Provinces included in the British possessions of North America. In that year an alliance took place, embracing at first the two Canadas and the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. This alliance has since been extended by the admission of Prince Edward Island on the east, and British Columbia on the west, and the lately organized territories of the North-West. With this political compact, and the building of the great highway of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the links of the chain in dominion are now complete from sea to sea. Ottawa has become the seat of the Federal Government; and in what is now Ontario, Toronto has retained the honor which is her due, of being made the capital of the premier Province. The events since the alliance are fresh in the memory of most citizens. The years comprising the interval have been those in which the city as it is to-day has been built up in full view of those now living. Railroads have been constructed, the city has extended its limits, the waste places have been turned into busy workshops and beautiful homes; the telephone, the electric light, and a vast number of conveniences unknown to former days have been added, and the population of the city has increased from some 50,000 in 1867 to nearly 250,000 in 1893. These achievements and activities of the past are happy auguries of the achievements and activities of the future. From what Toronto is, we may judge what Toronto will yet become, and that she is well in the van of her sister cities, any and all readers of this volume will be forced to admit. Her progress, in point of fact, has at all time partaken of the character of her people, and particularly of her mercantile, manufacturing and commercial classes; it has ever been conservative, deliberate, yet substantial and lasting. Every public building and institution of the city bears the impress of solidity and permanence, and whatever has been sacrificed in appearance has been more than gained in real worth. In short, her architects, both material and moral, have built, like those of ancient Egypt, "for all time." \* \* \* \* \* The phases of the transition of Toronto from a French trading post in the virgin wilderness to a modern and magnificent city, occupying a commanding position as a

busy centre of trade have been briefly traced in outline in the foregoing pages. The succeeding ones will be devoted to the task of delineation, in a concise manner, of the relations of the city of to-day to commerce and production.

#### A FEW FACTS ABOUT A BUSY CITY.

Great cities are never the result of accident, but invariably the outgrowth of natural and artificial conditions, clearly defined and unquestionable in their existence and influences. The most important natural conditions are salubrity of climate, convenient geographical location, fertility of soil in the adjacent agricultural region, and above all accessibility to navigable waters—for all history bears witness that no rich, populous and prosperous community has ever flourished and grown powerful without commerce, and hitherto, at least, commerce has always been dependent upon riparian communication with the outside world. In all of these things Toronto has been and is peculiarly blessed. Her location, indeed, from a commercial point of view, is a source of constant self-congratulation on the part of those who are so fortunate as to live and do business here. As an agricultural province, again, Ontario is one of the most productive; grain and other cereals, wool and fruits being an abundant yield. Her lakes furnish fish of the best quality in most generous supply, and upon their banks are located pleasure resorts which are annually growing in the favor and patronage of seekers of health and recreation from all parts of the Dominion of Canada and the United States. While Toronto herself can hardly lay claim to the striking, picturesque features of the old historic cities of Canada, such as Quebec, Montreal or even Halifax, nevertheless her water front possesses much natural beauty, while the city proper is not lacking in artistic adornment. The approach by steamer on the lake is singularly fine, as is the view from the Island, with the color and the movement of the myriad craft that ply between. One has but to pass from the wharves into the traffic of the streets to gain the immediate impression that right here is a wealthy, metropolitan city, teeming with enterprise and activity. This impression is distinctly magnified when one takes in the widespread area of Toronto, including the chief residential quarters, with their many fine examples of artistic, comfortable homes, and their varied architec-

tural beauty. Her broad streets, her generous supply of umbrageous trees, the substantial character of her public buildings and business structures, the symmetry and good taste of her principal residences, the translucence of her lakeside harbor and the purity of her atmosphere combine to make Toronto in every way a desirable place of residence.

A CITY OF HOMES.—Toronto has often been mentioned as a city of homes, and it is a fact that the ratio of house owners to her population is exceptionally high. The advantages the "Queen City" offers in a business, social and educational way fit her in an eminent degree as a place of great attractions for permanent residence, and the course of owners of land, who have, as a general rule, kept within the bounds of reason in the prices asked for property, has afforded opportunities and offered inducements to the thrifty to acquire homes and become identified with the city and interested in its welfare. Working people in Toronto, as a rule, own their own homes, and are interested in the preservation of order and property rights. People so situated are seldom led away by theories which deny the right of ownership, and are not prone to precipitate unnecessary strikes and disturbances. The foregoing facts



MANNING ARCADE.

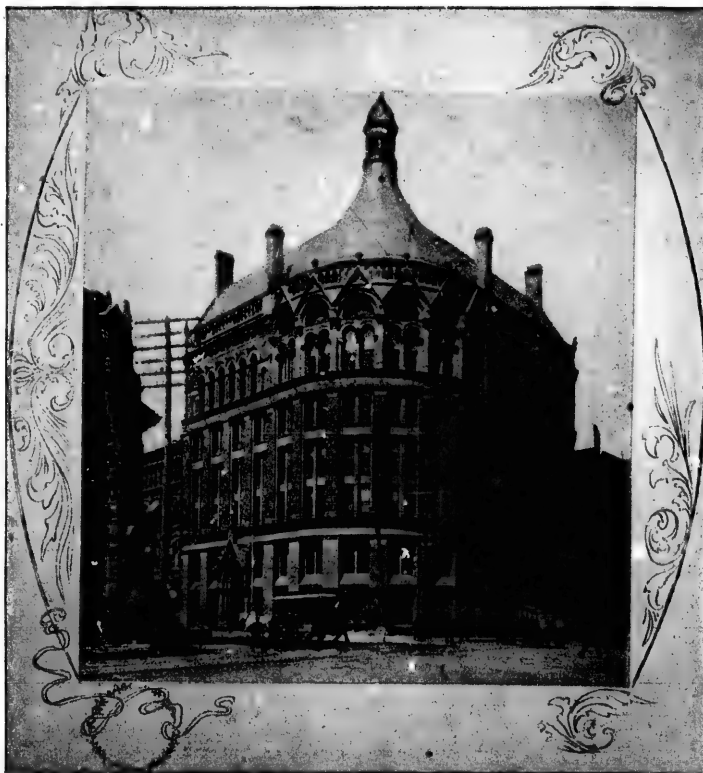
of themselves furnish the best arguments for the future welfare of the provincial capital. Workingmen, who in other places would be compelled to crowd their families into unhealthy tenements, here own their homes and feel that they are citizens in every sense of the word; capitalists employing such men can repose confidence in them. The prosperity of the city means better times for them, and it is but natural that they should be inclined to do their best always and in all things. Here also can the man of labor and the man of leisure, the millionaire and the mechanic find repose and comfort. It is not necessary for the busy man to neglect his particular calling for three or four months during the summer in order to go to the mountains or the sea shore. He can keep cool and have all the fresh air he wants right at home. Toronto is itself about as fine a summer resort as can be found, with the many fine shade trees to temper the rays of the sun; with the brisk breeze that blows off the lake almost continually; with the cool nights and the general healthiness of the climate, it seems as if the people of this city could hardly expect, even though they paid dearly for it, to obtain greater comfort at the accustomed resorts than is to be experienced in their own favored home.

## STEADY ADVANCEMENT. —

Without pretensions to, a "boom"—a term which has acquired a meaning synonymous with an unhealthy inflation of real estate values and a spasmodic attempt to present a temporary appearance of prosperity—Toronto is enjoying a healthy growth in population, in trade and in productive energy. During the past eight or ten years of the present century, the population of the community of Toronto, as already stated, has most visibly increased, even to the superficial view, and is overflowing in all directions outside the surveyor's lines of the corporate limits by reason of the various causes that render it cheaper dwelling just outside the city boundary than within. The building of houses is steadily progressing at a lively rate, new manufactures are constantly being added, and the city is not falling behind in any of those items which go to make up an active and sturdy prosperity

## ELEMENTS OF SUCCESS. —

Toronto has been called a conservative city, and in the sense of refraining from rash



BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING.

and feverish speculation, from investing her money and wasting her energies upon air castles and visionary projects, the city can afford to admit the charge; but that her merchants and manufacturers are lacking in the industry and enterprise necessary to business success is amply disproved in the steady expansion in the trade of the leading houses in the city: the fact that new business enterprises which have substantial backing are continually being introduced, operating upon home capital; and that the volume of the city's trade grows from year to year—each season showing a gain in the aggregate of business transacted. In manufactures, particularly, the city presents a record of ever increasing activity; old manufacturing establishments showing enhanced facilities and augmented output, and new ones constantly adding to the importance of the city as a productive centre. The business men of Toronto have made her great and prosperous by supplementing her natural and geographical advantages with all the aids of modern progress and enlightened methods.



In manufactures the city holds an acknowledged leadership among the most important industrial centres of the Dominion, and indeed she bears favorable comparison in almost all branches of industry with any other city, proportionably speaking, on this side of the Atlantic Ocean.

**EXAMPLES OF SUCCESS.**—That Toronto offers an unsurpassed yield for the best results in return for the exercise of business sagacity and well directed energy is proved by many instances furnished in the history of her industrial development within the last quarter of a century. During that period many of the most successful enterprises in the entire country have earned their standing by a combination of brains and push, some of them advancing to a position where the volume of their business exceeds that of any similar establishments in the world. In the line of cabinet-ware manufacture some of Toronto's establishments stand without a peer in the variety of their products. In the manufacture of steel rails, Toronto challenges competition as to the reliability of her productions with any city in the Western Hemisphere, while gigantic foundries, distilleries and flour-mills are in active operation. These vast enterprises have in many cases been expanded from beginnings comparatively modest; all have enjoyed a wonderful growth as a result of the care exercised in their management and the utilization of the unexcelled facilities possessed by Toronto as a centre of production and distribution.

**ADVANTAGES OF TORONTO.**—Beyond the encouragement offered by the examples of success shown by the record of Toronto in the past, the city has, in addition to every social attraction calculated to invite residence, unexcelled inducements to offer to those seeking to establish themselves in legitimate business and manufacturing enterprises. Rail, lake and canal routes furnish transportation facilities equal to those of the most favored cities of the continent. Fuel is cheap and plentiful, the tax rate is low, real estate is held at reasonable figures, while banking facilities are ample for any probable or possible increase of business. The record of the recent past has been one of a marked revival of trade in all the great commercial and manufacturing centres of the Dominion. While the prices of goods ruled low the great production industries of the country have shown an enhanced activity which has called for the employment of labor, and furnished a means for the profitable invest-

ment of capital. In this recent advance Toronto has fully shared, and reports from the leading houses of the city show that almost without exception the volume of transactions in each line of trade has steadily increased.

**LOOKING FORWARD.**—The past of Toronto having furnished such a record of continuous and sustained growth, a fair presumption is afforded that the future will present results of proportionate advance, or even accelerated expansion. During this centennial anniversary of the founding of Toronto, the historic memory will regard with a keen interest the embryo capital of the Simcoe regime. To trace the windings of the road traversed in these hundred years is to trace the annals of a stream of life rich in every element that makes for the well being of a nation. When one thinks of what the city has become, it seems marvellous that its cradling-time was but a century ago. Then the world of Upper Canada centered merely at two points on Lake Ontario—Kingston and Niagara—and when Toronto was founded rude was the political and social life which revolved round these primitive towns. Later on, the area of that little world was enlarged by another landing on the wooded shores of the lake, which was destined to expand from a mere foothold to the space now covered by a great metropolitan city. Remote judged by the achievement seems that natal time; yet compared with the life of nations in the Old World, it is but yesterday. Communities on this continent live fast; but if all the human life has passed away that had its birth-time when Simcoe's salute was first fired at the christening of the city, interest in the event remains, and must increase as the passing years add to her importance and significance. She has no lack of business men with sagacity equal to the improvement of every opportunity, and it is safe to predict that the historian of the industries of the future will be able to point back to those of to-day as the auspicious beginnings of a greater and brighter destiny.

#### TRADE AND COMMERCE.

The advantages of united effort are so many and so great that they are recognized by all. The application of the axiom that "union is strength," to business affairs, is made in every commercial city by the

establishing of Boards of Trade, merchants' exchanges, chambers of commerce and other organizations of a similar character. In the direction of organized effort in behalf of the improvement of the business resources and facilities of the city, Toronto is in no wise behind the other commercial centres of the country.

**THE BOARD OF TRADE.**—There can be no doubt that much of the present commercial importance of Toronto is due to the fostering care which the Board of Trade has given to the varied financial and business enterprises of the city. Organized in 1845 by a few leading citizens, the Board has now a membership of upwards of one thousand, representing as it does the trade and commerce of the metropolis of the premier Province of the Dominion; many of the matters the Board has discussed and upon which it has taken action, have been of vital importance to Ontario and Canada at large. In 1889 began the movement which resulted in the erection of the present stately Board of Trade building located on the corner of Yonge and Front streets. It was erected under direction of the Board of Trade trustees at a cost of \$400,000, and is the property of that body. The graceful style of the building speaks for itself and is praised on every hand, while the members of the Board feel a just pride in not only having the best Board of Trade on the continent but one of the finest buildings in Toronto. The officers of the Board for the current year are as follows:—President, D. R. Wilkie; 1st Vice-President, Hugh Blain; and Vice-President, S. F. McKinnon; Treasurer, J. L. Spink; Secretary, Edgar A. Willis, J. P.; Council, W. Christie, Jno. I. Davidson, W. D. Matthews, W. R. Brock, Warring Kennedy, A. A. Allan, Geo. H. Bertram, G. M. Bosworth, D. W. Alexander, F. B. Cumberland, H. N. Baird, M. McLaughlin, W. Ince, Robt. Jaffray; Board of Arbitration, R. C. Steele, Jno. Earls, R. J. Stark, W. Galbraith, M. F. Brown, J. D. Laidlaw, S. Crane, J. H. G. Haggarty, Thos. Flynn, J. H. Sproule, Chas. Pearson, R. S. Baird; Representatives on Harbor Commission, J. T. Matthews, W. A. Geddes; Representatives on Industrial Exposition Committee, Jas. Carruthers, M. F. Brown, W. B. Hamilton; Solicitor to the Board, W. H. Beatty.

**COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD.**—Examiners in Flour and Meal, W. Galbraith; J. L. Spink, T. McLaughlan, J. N. Leen and Wm. M.

Stark, R. Noble (Norval); Examiners in Grain, W. D. Matthews, H. N. Baird, Geo. A. Chapman, Thomas Flynn, James Carruthers; Examiners in Hides and Leather, E. Leadley, D. W. Alexander, D. McLean, W. Beardmore, and E. J. Davis, Flour and Call Board Committee, John Carrick, M. McLaughlan and J. L. Spink; Grain, Inspector, E. Adamson; Flour Inspector, John Todd; Inspector of Hides and Leather, E. A. Thompson; Board of Arbitrators and Examiners in Grain for Ontario, Geo. A. Chapman, Chairman; L. A. Tilley, W. D. Matthews, H. N. Baird, Thomas Flynn.

**TRADE SECTIONS OF THE BOARD.**—Bankers: Chairman, R. H. Bethune; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Contractors: Chairman, Richard Dennis; Secretary, E. Farquhar. Millers and Wholesale Flour Merchants: Chairman, R. J. Stark; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Coal: Chairman, T. R. Whiteside; Treasurer, R. E. Gibson; Secretary, K. C. Marshall. Grain, Malt, and Hops: Chairman, H. N. Baird; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Wholesale Dry Goods: Chairman, S. Caldecott; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Lumber: Chairman, Jos. Oliver; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Wholesale Hardware and Metal: Chairman, A. B. Lee; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Marine: Chairman, F. B. Cumberland; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills. Jewellers and Silversmiths: Chairman, M. C. Ellis; Sec.-Treas., Edgar A. Wills.

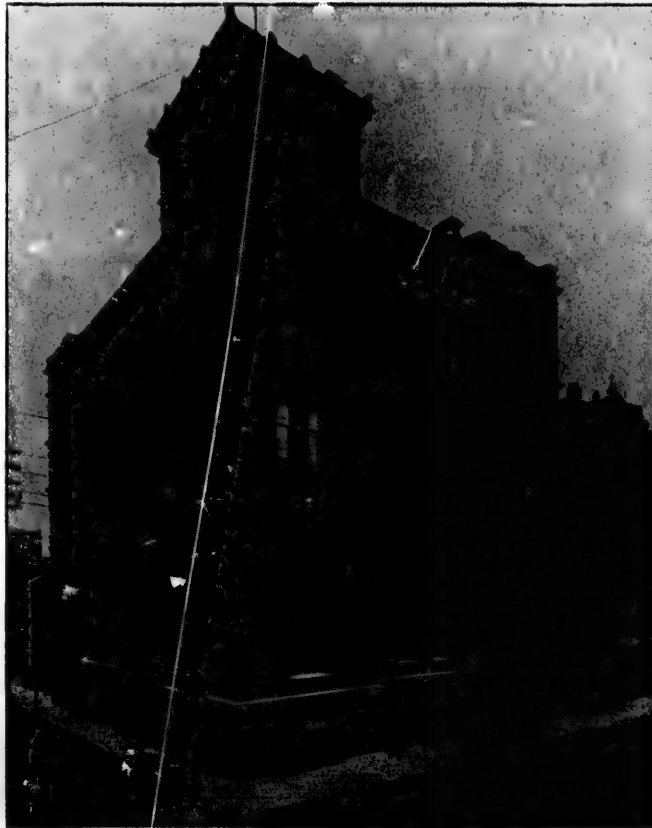
**BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.**—Office, Board of Trade Building: J. G. Thompson, President; E. P. Pearson, Vice President; Robt. McLean, Secretary.

**HARBOR COMMISSIONERS.**—Board of Trade Building: Chairman, A. B. Lee; W. A. Geddes, J. T. Matthews, and Alderman James Jolliffe and Geo. McMurrich; Harbor Master, Morgan Baldwin.

**MERCANTILE AGENCIES.**—R. G. Dun & Co., Board of Trade Bdg.; The Bradstreet Company, 29 Wellington street east and 36 Front street east; The Legal and Commercial Exchange of Canada, Toronto office, 26 Front street west.

In addition to these organizations having a more general range, there are a number of others, the scope of which is more limited, their

business being the facilitating of trade in special branches of industry. While the limits of this volume will not admit of individual particularization, the fact of their existence simply goes to prove that in all the aids of organization the business men of Toronto are fully alive to the advantages of unity. The Board of Trade alone has proved all and more in operation than its advocates claimed for it. By a complete system of securing information on all subjects pertaining to the business interests of the city and the issue of accurate reports at stated times, the questions of transportation and exchanges have been greatly simplified, while the representatives of leading interests have been brought closer together and made to feel that the concern of one is the concern of all. Immigration and the investment of capital here has been encouraged trade, manufactures, railroad building, and activity in all departments of business stimulated, and thousands of buyers and sellers won to this market who formerly went elsewhere. The diffusion of accurate information and statistics is a special office of the board and letters of enquiry invariably evoke satisfactory replies.



CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

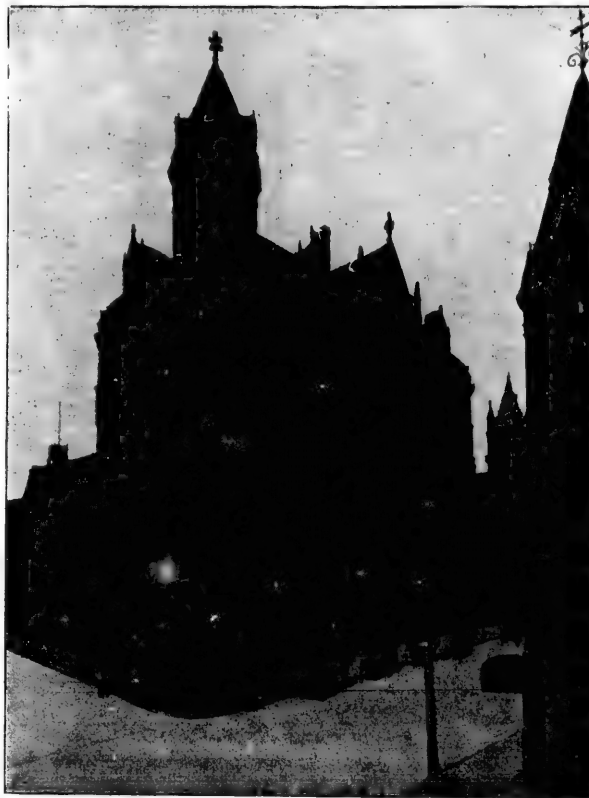
## TRANSPORTATION.

It is safe to say that no city in the Dominion possesses as many or as peculiar advantages as a centre of commercial exchanges as are enjoyed by Toronto, but whatever the city has gained in the past from her unrivalled water highways, and whatever she may hope to acquire in the future, is largely influenced by the facilities for railway transportation she may possess. The location of the city is geographically superb. Such a position in this era of railroads is of greater or less importance in proportion to its railway facilities. Ability to receive and distribute quickly the multiforms of traffic is an all-important factor in estimating the value of a location as a point for profitable business investment, and as indicating the possibilities of progress. A map of the railroads of the country shows that the railway system of Toronto is one of great value as a factor in the progress of the city, while its increase in extent bears palpable witness to the natural adaptations of the location as a railroad centre. It would be too great a task to undertake to particularize the various lines of railway that commercially concentrate at this point. Suffice it, therefore, to say, that the follow-

ing are the principal railroads having at present terminal stations in Toronto:—The Grand Trunk Railway operating the East and West Divisions, the Southern, Midland and Northern and Western Divisions; the Canadian Pacific Railway, operating the Toronto, Grey and Bruce, the Credit Valley, and the Ontario and Quebec Divisions. During the season of navigation steamers run to and fro from all salient points, and numerous schooners make Toronto their port of entry and exit. Apart from the Island Ferry boats and excursion steamers there are also the fleets of the following lines of regular lake steamships:—The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, Hamilton Steamboat Co., Niagara River Line, North-West Transportation Co., Niagara Falls Line, Great Northern Transit Co., North Shore Navigation Co., and the Canadian Pacific Steamers.

#### BANKING AND FINANCE.

Toronto's banking interest is perhaps the strongest support of the manufacturing and mercantile interests of the city, and, working in alliance with these interests in all their legitimate phases, each appreciably influences and partakes of the tone and methods of the others. Hence the banks of the city, like her



FREEHOLD LOAN AND SAVINGS CO.'S BUILDING.

business enterprises, are noted for their sound, energetic, yet conservative management, command the entire confidence of business men and capitalists, and hold high rank among the financial institutions of the Dominion. We subjoin the following list of banks and savings banks now flourishing in the provincial capital:—

**BANKS.**—Assistant Receiver-General's Office, 10 Toronto street; Bank of British North America, corner Yonge and Wellington streets; Bank of Montreal, corner Yonge and Front streets; Bank of Toronto, corner Church and Wellington streets; branch, 719 King street west; Canadian Bank of Commerce, corner King and Jordan streets; branches, 415 Parliament street, 456 and 463 Yonge street, 798 Queen street east, 546 Queen street west, 128 King street east, and corner College and Spadina Ave.; Dominion Bank of Canada, corner King and Yonge streets; branches, corner King and Jarvis, 235 Queen street east, 479 and 1004 Queen street west, and corner College and Spadina Ave.; Imperial Bank of Canada, corner Wellington street and Leader Lane; branches, 171 and 735 Yonge street; Traders Bank, corner Yonge and Colborne streets; Union Bank of Lower Canada, 17 Wellington street west;

Bank of Hamilton, Canada Life Building; Quebec Bank, corner Toronto and King streets; Standard Bank of Canada, corner Jordan and Wellington streets; branch, 1271 Queen street west; Home Savings and Loan Co. (Ltd.), 78 Church street; Merchants Bank of Canada, 13 Wellington street west; Molsons Bank, corner King and Bay streets; Ontario Bank, corner Wellington and Scott streets; branch, 480 Queen street west.

**SAVINGS BANKS.**—Government Savings Bank, 10 and 12 Toronto street; Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Co., 18 and 20 Toronto street; Dominion Savings Bank, 535 Queen street west; Farmers' Loan and Savings Co., 17 Toronto street; Freehold Loan and Savings Co., corner Adelaide and Victoria; Home Savings and Loan Co., 78 Church street; People's Loan and Deposit Co., 89 Adelaide street east; Post Office Savings Bank, Post Office Building; Union Loan and Savings Bank, 30 Toronto street; Western Canada Loan and Savings Co., 76 Church street; Building and Loan Association, 15 Toronto street; Canadian Homestead Loan and Savings Association, 44 Church street; Central Canada Loan and Savings Co., 26 King street east; Standard Loan and Savings Co., 9 Toronto street; Toronto Clearing House, 4 Wellington street east; Toronto Savings and Loan Co., 46 King street west; Traders' Bank, Yonge and Coiborne streets.

### MANUFACTURES.

Notwithstanding that Toronto is concededly a manufacturing centre of the first-class, it is impossible to obtain reliable data upon which to predicate statistics showing the number and extent of her factories, the number of operations employed, or the volume and value of annual out-put, all owing to the lack of organization and non-recognition of community of industries among those who, in their individual capacity, do so much toward creating the material wealth and extending the fame of the city. We, nevertheless, subjoin a brief tabulated statement of Toronto's leading manufactures, but it must be borne in mind that there is in these pages no attempt made to present them in enumerated detail. The effort is only put forth to show the progress of Toronto, and through what resources she has grown to her

present eminence and will still reach greater prominence; by the leading industries to indicate the ramifications thereof, through which she is, year after year, acquiring new attractions as a continental storehouse of manufactures, and a prominent commercial city as well. Under such conditions, we are therefore constrained to refer the seeker after knowledge on this subject to the latter part of this volume, where will be found special mention of most, if not all, the representative manufacturers and tradesmen to whose enterprise and industry the "Queen City of Canada" is indebted for her unquestioned eminence in the mechanic arts.

**ALIMENTS.**—Bakeries, flour mills, meal and feed mills, coffee and spice mills, baking powder, extracts, etc., confectionery, preserves and canned goods, vinegar and pickles, sugar refinery.

**DRINKS AND TOBACCO.**—Breweries, malt houses, distillers and rectifiers, tobacco and snuff, cigars and cigarettes.

**BRASS, COPPER, ETC.**—Brass, copper and plumbers' supplies, tin, stamped and sheet metal ware, jewelry manufactures, watch cases and tools, optical goods, telegraph and electrical supplies, smelting, refining and iron and brass work, miscellaneous.

**BRICK, STONE, ETC.**—Brick yards, cut stone contractors, marble and granite works, gravel roofers, lime kilns, terra cotta stained glass factories.

**IRON AND WOOD COMBINED.**—Wagons and carriages, agricultural implements, car and bridge builders, elevators, sewing machines and cases.

**CHEMICALS.**—Chemical works, white lead and paint, white lead corrodors, varnish, axle grease, glue fertilizers, etc., soap, candles, linseed oil and cake, soda, mineral waters, etc., ink.

**IRON MANUFACTURES.**—Rolling mills, founderies, machinery, malleable iron, boiler works, carriage wheel works, stoves, furnaces and ranges, steam fitting and heating, galvanized iron, tin, slate roofing, barbed wire, wire works, miscellaneous.

**LEATHER.**—Farmers' and curriers', boot, shoe and slipper manufacturers', saddle and harness manufacturers', trunk manufacturers', hose and leather belting makers'.

**PRINTING.**—Printing, binding and newspapers, lithographing houses, electrotyping and stereotyping, type founding, printers' ink factories, printers' supplies and presses, printers' furniture, etc., book binderies.

**TEXTILES.**—Men's and boys' clothing, colored shirts, overalls, etc., men's neckwear, white shirts, furs, cloaks and suitings, cloak and dress trimmings, children's caps, etc., millinery.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**—Toy and bicycle factories, sign makers, brushes, brooms, feather dusters, show cases, glass corks, paper boxes, sails, awnings, etc., shipyards, perfumers. \* \* \* \* \*

The list of enterprising productive industries might easily be further extended, but without any attempt to particularize individual branches, it may be said, in all the elements of progressiveness, Toronto holds a leading place among the most active cities on the western hemisphere. While it might be said that the city has not yet reached the summit of her development and there may be still room for the inauguration of additional industrial enterprises, the progress in the past has been marked and gratifying, each year showing some advance over its predecessor and an increase in the products of capital and labor.

#### CIVIC AFFAIRS.

It is only natural that a city of the status of Toronto should require a carefully studied and elaborate system of municipal government. Toronto has had a corporate existence for the past sixty-nine years, and during this period its municipal government has seen many changes, and during the violent political vicissitudes of years gone by has undoubtedly been misgoverned by unjust legislation, corrupt administration, and the lethargy of her representative citizens; yet at the present time, probably no municipal government moves more smoothly and effectively than does that of Toronto. The municipal department of the city government is as follows:—Treasury Department: R. T. Coady, Treasurer; John Patterson, Deputy Treasurer; Walter Sterling,

Accountant. Audit Department: William Anderson, W. W. Jones, Auditors. Clerks' Department: John Blevins, Clerk; W. A. Littlejohn, Assistant Clerk. Solicitors' Department: C. R. W. Biggar, Solicitor; Thomas Caswell, Assistant Solicitor. Engineers' Department: E. H. Keating, Engineer; C. H. Rust, Deputy Engineer; John Jones, Street Commissioner. Public Parks: John Chambers, Commissioner. Fire Department: Richard Ardagh, Chief Engineer; Thomas Graham, Assistant Engineer. Property and Markets' Department: Emerson Coatsworth, Commissioner. Health Department: Norman Allan, M. D., Health Medical Officer. Assessment Department: Nicholas Maughan, Commissioner; J. C. Forman. Police Department: His Honor, the County Judge (Chairman); His Worship the Mayor, His Worship the Police Magistrate; (Commissioners): Lieut. Col. George T. Denison, Police Magistrate; Lieut. Col. H. J. Grasett, Chief Constable; Wm. E. Grant, Deputy Chief Constable.

#### FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE CITY.

The following is the amount of the current Assets and Liabilities at the close of the year ended 1892:

|                                          |                |              |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Liabilities.....                         | \$2,169,911 00 |              |
| Assets .....                             | 2,136,348 46   |              |
| Leaving a deficit of.....                | \$33,562 54    |              |
| Ascertained outstanding liabilities..... | 69,633 86      |              |
|                                          |                | \$103,216 40 |

The Debenture Debt of the city at the same time was as follows:

#### General Debenture Debt.—

|                                         |                 |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| City .....                              | \$19,615,395 63 |
| Parkdale.....                           | 282,719 00      |
| Yorkville .....                         | 133,039 00      |
| Brockton.....                           | 8,000 00        |
|                                         | \$21,039,353 63 |
| City's share of local improvements..... | 2,698,621 46    |

\$23,737,975 09



*Local Improvement Debt.—*

|                                                                                                                   |                |                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------------|
| City.....                                                                                                         | \$5,123,646 88 |                        |
| Parkdale.....                                                                                                     | 382,756 24     |                        |
| Yorkville.....                                                                                                    | 52,703 00      |                        |
| Brockton.....                                                                                                     | 10,207 00      |                        |
|                                                                                                                   |                | <u>\$5,569,307 12</u>  |
| From which sum is to be deducted cash and<br>debentures at credit at the various sinking<br>funding accounts..... |                | <u>\$19,311,282 21</u> |
| Leaving net debenture debt.....                                                                                   |                | <u>\$2,719,470 68</u>  |
|                                                                                                                   |                | <u>\$16,587,811 53</u> |

**A FEW FACTS ON TORONTO'S TERRITORIAL AREA, ETC.**

The area within the city limits, not including the island or portions of city land covered by water, is 10,391 acres, or 16.2 square miles.

There are 250 miles of streets, of which 124.57 miles are paved, and 125.83 miles unpaved. Eighty-two and a half miles of lane. Two hundred and sixteen miles and a half of sewers. Four hundred and twenty-eight and three quarter miles of sidewalks. Two hundred and thirty-eight miles of water mains. Thirty miles of underground electric conduit. Four thousand two-hundred and eighty-eight miles of overhead electric wire. Seventy-eight and one quarter miles of steam railway track. Sixty-eight and one half miles of street railway track. The estimated value of property owned by the city is over \$12,000,000. In connection with the foregoing items we append the following data:

**GAS, ELECTRIC LIGHT, TELEPHONE, ETC.**—The lighting of the city is effected by the Consumers' Gas Co., the Toronto Electric Light Co., and the Toronto Incandescent Electric Light Co. The works of the present Consumers' Gas Co. consist of three full sets, two for coal and one for water gas, with a combined manufacturing capacity of 3,125,000 cubic feet per diem.

**THE TORONTO ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.**—Own and operate about 350 miles of overhead wire, which supply current for 960 arc lamps.



EQUITY CHAMBERS.



WESTERN ASSURANCE CO.'S BUILDING.

**THE TORONTO INCANDESCENT ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY.**—Have at present in the neighborhood of about 25 miles of electric underground tube, the aggregate mileage of which exceeds 100 miles.

**THE GREAT NORTH-WESTERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.**—Control 17 miles of poles within the city limits.

**THE CANADIAN PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY.**—Have 17 miles of poles in city limits, and have thirty-five branch offices, and 1,000 call boxes distributed throughout the city.

**THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY.**—While the headquarters of this colossal concern are situated at Montreal, the Toronto branch to-day controls no less than 1,300 miles of wire, and has no less than 4,000 subscribers.

**FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.**—The Fire Alarm Telegraph consists of 71 miles of wire, strung on 38 miles of poles, 15 miles of which belongs to the city and the remainder to the Telegraph, Telephone and Toronto Electric Light Companies. There are 154 fire alarm boxes, 5 bell strikes, 16 alarm gongs and 5 fire alarm bells.

#### MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS.

Minister of Militia, Hon. J. C. Patterson ; Major General Commanding the Militia, Major-Gen. Ivor J. C. Herbert, C. B. ; District Staff Deputy Adjutant General, Lieut. Col. W. D. Otter ; Brigade, Lt. Col. John Gray ; District Paymaster and Supdt.

of Stores, Hon. Lieut. Col. J. Vance Gravely. Canadian Regiment of Infantry, Royal School of Infantry, Commandant, Lieut. Col. W. D. Otter; Captain, Major Buchan; Adjutant, Capt. Macdougall. Cavalry: The Governor General's Body Guard, Lieut. Col. George T. Denison; Major, Bt. Lieut. Col. F. C. Denison, C. M. G.; Four Troops, Captains, Bt. Lieut. Col. Orlando Dunn, C. A. K. Denison, J. R. Button, F. A. Fleming; Adjutant, Capt. W. H. Merritt; Field Batteries, Toronto F. B. of Artillery, Major J. F. Mead; Captain, W. F. Irving; Infantry and Rifles, Second Battalion, "Queen's Own Rifles of Canada," Lieut. Col. R. B. Hamilton; Majors, J. M. Delamere and Villiers Sankey; Ten Companies, Captains, H. M. Pellatt, J. A. Murray, J. C. McGee, W. G. Mutton, J. B. Thompson, P. L. Mason, E. F. Gunther, Jno. Knifton, C. C. Bennett, R. Rennie; Paymaster (Honorary), Capt. A. B. Lee; Adjutant, Capt. George Mercer; Tenth Battalion, "Royal Grenadiers," Lieut. Col. G. D. Dawson, A. D. C.; Major, J. Mason; Ten Companies, Captains, F. A. Caston, F. F. Manley, R. G. Trotter, C. Grenville Harstone, J. D. Hay, A. C. Gibson, J. Gosling, A. B. Cameron, J. D. Mackay, S. A. Heward; Adjutant, J. B. McLean; Forty-eighth Battalion "Highlanders," Lieut. Col. Jno. I. Davidson; Majors, A. M. Cosby and W. C. McDonald; Eight Companies, Captains, D. M. Robertson, D. MacGillivay, W. Henderson, Wm. Hendrie, R. S. Cassels, J. A. Currie, Chas. Hunter and J. F. Michie; Adjutant, Walter Macdonald.

#### THE PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE.

Lieut.-Governor, Hon. George A. Kirkpatrick, Q.C., LL.D.; Official Secretary, F. C. Law; Private Secretary, Harcourt Vernon; Speaker, Hon. Thos. Ballantyne; Attorney General, Sir Oliver Mowat; Commissioner of Crown Lands, Hon. A. S. Hardy; Commissioner of Public Works, Hon. C. F. Fraser; Provincial Secretary, Hon. J. M. Gibson; Provincial Treasurer, Hon. Richard Harcourt; Minister of Education, Hon. G. W. Ross; Minister of Agriculture and Registrar, Hon. John Dryden; Without portfolio, Hon. E. H. Bronson; Deputy Attorney-General, J. R. Cartwright; Assistant Provincial Secretary, Geo. E. Lumsden; Assistant Commissioner of Crown Lands, Aubrey

White; Deputy Minister of Agriculture, etc., C. C. James; Assistant Provincial Treasurer, D. E. Cameron; Deputy Minister of Education, John Miller, B.A.; Clerk of Executive Council, John R. Cartwright; Clerk of Legislative Assembly, Chas. Clarke; Sergeant-at-Arms, F. J. Glackmeyer. Members in House of Commons—Toronto Centre, G. R. R. Cockburn, (Gov.); Toronto, E. Coatsworth, jr., (Gov.); Toronto West, F. C. Denison, (Gov). Representatives in Local Legislature—Edward F. Clarke and Dr. Ryerson, (Opp.); Jos. Tait, (Gov). Senators in Dominion Parliament—Sir D. L. MacPherson, Hon. G. W. Allan, Hon. Frank Smith, Hon. John O'Donohue.

#### LIBRARIES.

In the matter of public libraries, the people of Toronto enjoy exceptionally fine opportunities, and the patronage of these beneficent institutions is such as to evidence the refinement and culture of a large proportion of the inhabitants of the city. There are seven of these establishments (the Public Library having four branches as enumerated), conducted in an admirable manner, as follows:—Provincial Library, Provincial Buildings, Queen's Park; Public Library, corner Church and Adelaide streets; Branches: St. Andrew's Market; St. Paul's Hall, Yonge street; No. 6 Bolton avenue; No. 6 Dundas street; Canadian Institute Library, Richmond street east, corner Berti; Educational Department, Gould street, corner Victoria; Osgoode Hall; Young Men's Christian Association, corner Yonge and McGill streets; Toronto Firemen's Library, Lombard Street Hall.

#### PLACES OF AMUSEMENT, THEATRES, PUBLIC HALLS, ETC.

Neither residents in nor visitors to the "Queen City of Canada," need let time hang heavily on their hands, well managed theaters furnishing the means of gratification for lovers of the histrionic art, and an abundance of public halls providing the opportunity of the reproduction of miscellaneous entertainment. The following constitute Toronto's leading structures devoted to the consummation of this side of Torontonion metropolitan life:—Grand Opera House, Adelaide street west; Academy of Music, No. 165 to 173 King street west; Toronto

Opera House, Adelaide street west; Moore's Musee, No. 93 Yonge street; Pavilion, Horticultural Gardens; The Cyclorama Hall, corner York and Front streets; St. Lawrence Hall, King street east; St. Andrew's Hall, Richmond street west; Y. M. C. A. Buildings, corner of Yonge and McGill streets; The Auditorium, Queen street west, near Yonge; St. George's Hall, Elm street; Odd Fellows' Hall, corner Yonge and College streets.

#### CLUBS.

Mention of the amusements of Toronto would be incomplete without a reference to the various Clubs, of which the city is deservedly proud, drawing together the various little groups of people, who, in a great city, are congenial to one another, through being possessed of similar desires in mental, social, and physical culture. Of purely social and political Clubs, there are seven that may be deemed the representatives of their type, namely:—Albany Club, No. 34 Colborne street; Athenæum Club, Nos. 167 and 169 Church street; National Club, No. 98 Bay street; Ontario Reform Club, No. 8 Adelaide street, east; Toronto Club, No. 107 and 109 Wellington street, corner of York; Victoria Club, Nos. 265 and 267 Huron street; Granite Club, Nos. 511 and 513 Church street. Athletics, and especially aquatic sports, too, hold a prominent place in the social life of Toronto, and there are all manner of lacrosse and golf clubs, boat and yacht clubs, curling clubs, boxing and fencing clubs, cricket clubs, cycling clubs, hand-ball and racquet clubs, racing, fishing, and gun clubs, etc. Thus, in the amenities of social life, the means for the acquirement of knowledge, or the pursuit of pleasure, as well as in the broad arena of mercantile and manufacturing existence, Toronto furnishes any and every inducement as a place of residence.

#### TORONTO'S CHURCHES.

The necessity of supplying the religious wants of so large a population has led to the erection of innumerable places of worship, as can be readily realized by any visitor who remarks the heaven-pointing spires that rise from every part of the city, and combine to form a leading feature of the place. Under such auspices, if the sons and daughters

of Toronto are not as moral and goodly as they can be made, the failing is not by any means due to the lack of churches, nor of divines to teach them to shun the path of the wicked, and cling to that which is "lawful and right, and save their souls alive." Many of Toronto's ecclesiastical edifices are well worthy of the greatness of the city, not only in point of mere dimensions, but as regards chaste and appropriate architectural beauty. The various denominations, in fact, seem to have vied with each other in building churches of striking architecture, and in no direction have the wealth and public spirit of Toronto's citizens manifested themselves more efficiently. Sub-dividing the aggregate of the churches, after a careful census, under the various denominations, we find twenty-eight are Episcopal, twelve Baptist, thirty Methodist, nineteen Presbyterian, ten Congregational, ten Roman Catholic, three Reformed Episcopal, two Unitarian, two Lutheran, two Catholic Apostolic, and eleven miscellaneous. Nor have the adherents of General Booth been idle, for the Salvation Army here have solidly entrenched themselves in barracks, which, for size and completeness, have few equals, and no superiors, on either side of the Atlantic. Among the most noted places of worship is St. James' Cathedral. This fine structure is the principal Episcopal Church in Toronto, and is the fourth church which has occupied the same site, the last one being destroyed by fire in 1849. It is of early English gothic architecture, and is beautifully executed; recent alterations, costing \$40,000, having greatly improved the appearance of the interior of the church. The cornerstone of the present building was laid on the 20th Nov., 1850. The edifice is 200 feet long, and 105 feet wide. During 1873, the massive tower was completed, making it upwards of 150 feet in height. The spire is nearly 140 feet high, and the wrought iron vane 16 feet, making a total height from the ground of upwards of 306 feet, being several feet higher than Trinity Church, New York, and the highest on the American Continent. The total cost has amounted to about \$166,000, including the peal of bells. In 1875 the celebrated chiming and illuminated clock, which took first prize at the International Exhibition at Vienna, was purchased from J. W. Benson, of London, by the citizens of Toronto, and presented to the Dean and Churchwardens of St. James' on Christmas Eve, 1876. Another of the "Queen City's" notable

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JUNCTION OF FRONT, WELLINGTON AND CHURCH STREETS.



ADELAIDE STREET.

churches is instanced in Cooke's Presbyterian Church, situate at the corner of Queen and Mutual streets. This church has been organized upwards of four decades, the present edifice being erected in 1857 and 1858, and opened by the Rev. Dr. Blackwood, of Philadelphia, United

being 200 feet in length by 90 feet in width, and with the transepts, making a total width of 115 feet, exterior dimensions. The incumbency of this important factor in Toronto's religious status is vester' in the able hands of the Very Rev. John J. McCann, V.G. Again,

States. The church derives its name from the late Henry Cooke, D.D., LL.D., the famous pastor of May Street Church, Belfast, Ireland, and universally recognized as one of Ireland's noblest divines. The edifice is a neat, substantial building of brick, and in the Scandinavian style of architecture. The frontage is 55 feet, and the depth 110 feet. The front is arranged in three divisions, with projecting entrance porch, and towers on each angle, each of these towers being 15 feet square, and 110 feet high. The seating capacity is 1,000. In 1889, the internal arrangements of the church were completely changed and an addition of a new lecture and class room, for Sabbath school work, made. Few of Toronto's churches have had more brilliant ministers than Cooke's. Among these may be mentioned the late Rev. Dr. Robb and Prof. Gregg, D.D., Knox College, who served the church for twenty years. The present popular pastor, the Rev. W. Patterson, has brought together a large congregation, the regular worshippers here aggregating upwards of one thousand. As another exemplar of ecclesiastical structural effort may be cited St. Michael's Cathedral, located on the corner of Church, Shuter, and Bond streets, with an entrance on Bond street. It is in the early decorated style of English gothic architecture, built of brick and cut stone dressings,



prominent among the "Queen City's" church edifices, ranks the Metropolitan Methodist Church. This fine structure, opposite the St. Michael's Cathedral, is the principal Methodist Church in Toronto, and is situated in the centre of Magill Square, between Church and Bond streets, the square having a frontage of 248 feet by 552 feet. The architecture is of early French style, and is an ornament to the city, as well as a credit to the Methodists. The dimensions of the main building are 72 x 128 feet, the chapel in the rear being 63 x 63 feet, over which are large and commodious class and committee rooms. The church will seat comfortably 1,800, but will contain 2,500 persons. There is probably no more popular ecclesiastic in Toronto than the worthy pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist Church, the Rev. Jno. N. Smith. Of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, located at the corner of King and Simcoe streets, perhaps a glance at our artist's sketch, given on another page, will afford our readers a better criterion of the architectural beauties of the structure than any mere word-painting on our part. The spiritual charge of the large congregation attending this noble place of worship is under the wise ministration of the Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, M.A. As a matter of fact, St. Andrew's Church is rightly considered one of the finest specimens of Norman style architecture in the Western Hemisphere—its entire effect being vividly imposing. Another beautiful, if comparatively small, church edifice is that of the Holy Trinity, situate in Trinity Square, between Alice and Louisa streets, and was built by a lady whose name has never been made known to the public. The endowment was anonymous, being £5,000 sterling, appropriated as follows:—£3,000 to build the church, and £2,000 as the basis of an allowance for the incumbent. Among other church edifices worthy of mention, and regarding which we have no space for specific particularization as to dimensions, etc., may be cited: the Jarvis Street and College Street Baptist Churches, the Episcopal churches of the Ascension, and St. Philip's, the Bond Street Congregational Church, the Richmond Street Jewish Synagogue, the Bloor Street, Central, Knox, St. James' Square, and St. Andrew's (old), Presbyterian Churches, the German Evangelical of the Lutheran persuasion, and the Carlton, Sherbourne Street, Elm Street, Queen Street, and Broadway Tabernacle, representing the Methodist element.

**HOSPITAL, ASYLUMS AND ELEMOSYNARY INSTITUTIONS.**—In the almost universally increasing struggle for wealth, position and pleasure, which characterizes the fin-de-siècle period, it cannot by any means be said that Torontonians are unmindful of the words of the Great Nazarene,—"The poor you have always with you." They systematize everything, even to their charities, which are on a generously munificent scale. Toronto has eleven thoroughly equipped hospitals, as follows: Bellevue House Hospital, 87 Bellevue avenue; Burnside Lying-In Hospital, Gerrard street east, cor Sackville; Hospital for Sick Children, corner Elizabeth and Sackville streets; Lakeside Home for Little Children, Hanlan's Point, Island; Smallpox Hospital, Broadview avenue, north of Gerrard street east; St. John's Hospital, 34 to 38 Major street; General Hospital, Gerrard street east, corner Sackville street; Andrew Mercer Eye and Ear Infirmary, Gerrard street east, corner Sackville; Grace Hospital, corner College and Huron streets; Christian Science Free Dispensary, 1 Brunswick avenue; St. Michael's Hospital, 30 Bond street. Add to these noble institutions for the reception of the sick and ailing, the following generously proportioned list of miscellaneous devoted asylums, aid retreats, and some criterion can be formed as to whether or not the dwellers in the "Queen City of the Canadas" believe in the axiom that "charity begins at home." Thus, there are the Asylum for the Insane, south side of Queen street, opposite Dundas; the Asylum for the Insane, at Mimico; Aged Women's Home, McMurrich street; Boys' Home, 339 George street; Girls' Home, 229 Gerrard street east; Girls' Industrial Institute, 33 Shepherd street; Haven and Prison Gate Mission, 320 Seaton street; Home for Incurables, 130 Dunn avenue, Parkdale; Newsboys' Lodging and Industrial Home, 59 Frederick street; Old Folks' Home, 221 Elizabeth street; Protestant Orphans' Home, 344 Dovercourt road; Dr. Bernado's Boys' Home, 214 Farley avenue; Helping Hand Mission, 182 Adelaide street west; House of Industry, corner Elm and Elizabeth streets.

**PRISONS.**—Toronto may certainly congratulate herself on the fact that the delinquent or criminal classes have a smaller ratio in her population than in that of any town of corresponding size on the American continent. It goes without the saying, however, that in a city of her

status, provision must be made for the punishment of offenders against the laws, and such being the admitted fact, no effort has been spared to make the penal and reformatory establishments of the city of Toronto simply models of their type. They are as follows: Central Prison, west side Strachan avenue; Industrial Refuge for Girls, King, near Dufferin street; Mercer Reformatory, 1155 King street west; Toronto Gaol, Gerrard street, east of the Don River.

**PLACES OF INTERMENT.**—In the matter of burial places Toronto is well in advance of any of the cities of the Dominion, having within her environments, six magnificent and well appointed cemeteries, and her citizens certainly have good grounds for the pride they feel in the beautiful provision they have made for those of their dear departed—"not lost, but gone before"—in the point of appropriate natural surroundings and location. Of the Toronto places of sepulchre, St. James' Cemetery is the largest and most beautiful. It is located at the head of Parliament street, and is about eighty acres in extent. The grounds are beautifully laid out and planted, and in this city of the dead the voices of nature breathe comfort into the hearts of the sorrowful, its entire surroundings combining to make it a desirable and delightful spot in which to place the last remains of the dear deceased. The mortuary chapel is a fine specimen of Elizabethan architecture. The Necropolis is on the north side of Winchester street, the grounds of which are most tastefully laid out. Mount Pleasant Cemetery is situated on Yonge street, about a mile north of the city, covering over one hundred acres, in which are beautiful drives, artificial lakes, and many handsome and costly tombs and monuments. St. Michael's Cemetery, the burying ground of the Roman Catholic denomination, is situated on Yonge street, within the city limits. Here lies the last remains of many of Toronto's leading Roman Catholic families, and a large amount has been expended in making it the fitting home for those who "sleep the sleep that knows no waking." Prospect Cemetery is situated on the north side of St. Clair avenue, west of Dufferin street, and the Jewish Cemetery on the east side of Pape avenue.

#### STREET RAILWAY TRAVEL.

Within the past few years the increase in street railways has been such that it can be claimed with confidence that no other city in

the Western Hemisphere is as well provided in this regard as is Toronto, and the system in vogue with the Toronto Street Railway Co. may truly be accepted as the veritable model of city and suburban transportation of its type. All surface car lines have recently been equipped with electric motor power, the plant being the best of its kind ever constructed on the American continent. Indeed, it must be admitted that the actual spread and expansion of the city has been in proportion to the extension of the street car service, and the increase of the value of property in the suburbs is due to the same cause. The Toronto Street Railway Company, in fact, has contributed so much to the health, comfort, and convenience of the citizens, and to the enhancement of the value of property in and around the city, that they must be regarded as purely and simply public benefactors, and, as such, are fully entitled to every financial benefit that may accrue from their enterprise. The following are the lines operated by this enterprising company:—Belt Line, Bloor West, Bathurst, Broadview Loop Line, Queen East, Yonge, Front, Church and Queen Streets, Church Street, Carlton and College Streets, Dovercourt, via McCaul Street, High Park, King Street, Parliament, Queen Street and Brockton, Winchester, and Yonge Street. It will thus be seen, that almost every section of the city is traversed, and when it is added that the equipment of the various cars are the very acme of comfort, the courtesy of their conductors beyond reproach, it is by no means a matter for surprise that Toronto prides herself on possessing the most efficient, all-round, street car service in the world—the size of the city, of course, being given due consideration. Other lines of street railway are also in projection for early construction, and ere long the city will be completely girdled and gridironed by cheap and efficient facilities for passenger travel.

#### PUBLIC PARKS, ETC.

The providing of breathing places in which to escape from the close atmosphere of the streets, is an important requirement of the modern city, and is one that Toronto has not by any means neglected. The city is, in fact, intersected by a cordon of splendid parks, which present one of the most attractive and most extensive systems of alternate resorts on the continent. They are respectively located as follows:—Bellwoods,

south side of Arthur, between Bellwoods avenue and Shaw ; Clarence Square, corner Spadina and Wellington ; Denison, south side Denison, between Augusta and Bellevue ; Dovercourt, head of Dovercourt Road ;

Dufferin, 880 Dufferin street ; Gooderham Grove, 841 Queen east ; High Park, north side Queen, west city limits ; Horticultural Gardens, Sherbourne, between Gerrard and Carlton ; Island Park, island,

opposite city ; Ketchum Park, between Davenport Road and Scollard ; Kew Gardens, south side Queen, east city limits ; Lacrosse Grounds, Rosedale ; Lorne, west of Humber River ; Long Branch, New Toronto ; Queen's, head of Queen street avenue ; Reservoir, east of Yonge street, North Toronto ; Riverdale, Sumach, south-east corner Winchester ; Riverside, east side Humber River ; Stanley Park, Wellington avenue, corner Walnut avenue ; Victoria Park, east city limits ; and Walmer Park, Walmer Road, corner Lowther.



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THE ISLAND.—A visit to the Island will be appreciated by all. At the western extremity will be found the Wimen Baths. In the centre is Island Park (listed above), not the least attractive portion of Toronto's adjacent summer resort. The grounds are well laid out, extending from the bay side to the lake side, and occupying several acres. Then, again, large open spaces afford no mean opportunity for amateurs, clubs, and pic'nickers, to indulge in all classes of out-door

sport—baseball, football, and other matches often taking place here during the season. Here, also, is erected the Island Club House of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club. The western end is known as Hanlan's Point, where various amusements are to be found, and the various bands of the city play every evening during the season.

#### THE MUNICIPALITY.

It is natural that a city of the status of Toronto should have a carefully studied and elaborate system of municipal government. Toronto has now had a corporate existence just verging on a hundred years, as already intimated, and during this period its municipal government has seen many changes, and during the violent political vicissitudes of years gone by, has undoubtedly been misgoverned by reason of unjust legislation, corrupt administrators, and the lethargy of her representative citizens; yet, at the present time, probably no municipal government moves more smoothly and effectively than does that of Toronto. The following are her municipal representatives: Civic Officers: Mayor, R. J. Fleming; Clerk and Division Registrar, John Blevins; Solicitor C. R. W. Biggar; Treasurer, R. T. Coady; Auditors, Wm. Anderson, and W. W.

Jones; City Engineer, E. H. Keating; Assessment Commissioner, Nicholas Maughan; License Inspector, Robert Awde; Health Officer, Chas. Sheard, M.D.; Street Commissioner, John Jones; City Surveyor, Villiers Sankey; City Commissioner, Emerson Coatsworth; Weigh Masters, J. R. Dunn and Wm. Adamson; Commissioner of



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Public Parks, John Chambers. Aldermen: Ward 1, C. C. Small, J. K. Leslie, Thos. Davies, W. T. Stewart; Ward 2, John Hallam, D. Lamb, G. T. Frankland, Edward Hewitt; Ward 3, B. Saunders, Geo. McMurrich, John Shaw, H. J. Hill; Ward 4, Wm. Carlyle, Wm. Burns, James Jolliffe, Geo. Verral; Ward 5, Wm. Bell, Thos. Crawford, J. E. Verral, Jno. Bailey; Ward 6, Dr. Lynd, Thos. Murray, J. O. Orr, John Maloney. Committees and Chairmen: Executive Committee, Ald. Saunders; Works Committee, Ald. Lamb; Fire and Light Committee, Ald. Bell; Property Committee, Ald. Crawford; Parks and Gardens Committee, Ald. Orr; Local Board of Health, etc., Ald. Carlyle; Court of Revision, Ald. Carlyle. Police Department; Commissioners, His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Judge McDougall and Col. Geo. T. Denison; Police Magistrate, Col. Geo. T. Denison; Chief of Police, Col. H. J. Grasett; Deputy-Chief, Wm. E. Stuart. Police Stations: Central Station No. 1 (Tel. 222), Court street; No. 2, Agnes street; No. 3, St. Andrew's Market; No. 4, Wilton avenue; No. 5, St. Paul's Hall, Yonge street; No. 6, corner Cowan avenue and Queen street; No. 7, Ossington avenue. License Commissioners: Office, No. 1 and 3 Union Block, No. 36 Toronto street; Chairmen, John Flett, Thos. Flynn and Thomas Thompson; Chief Inspector, Thos. Dexter; Inspector West Division, John Wilson; Inspector East Division, Thos. A. Hastings. Fire Department: Chief, Richard Ardagh; Secretary, R. J. McGowan; Assistant Chief, Thos. Graham; Assistant Chief, west, Joseph Davis; Assistant Chief, east, John Thompson; Supdt. of Fire Alarm Telegraph, Donald Gibson. Fire Stations: Fire Station No. 1, corner of Bay and Temperance streets; No. 2, corner Farley avenue and Portland street; No. 3, near corner Yonge and Grenville streets; No. 4, corner Berkeley and Duke streets; No. 5, Lombard, near Jarvis street; No. 6, Queen, near John street; No. 7, Wilton avenue, near Parliament street; No. 8, corner College and Bellevue avenue; No. 9, near corner Queen and Dundas street; No. 10, Yorkville avenue, west of Yonge street; No. 11, corner Rose avenue, and Howard streets; No. 12, corner Bolton and Allen avenues; No. 13, near corner Brock avenue and Dundas street; No. 14, Ossington avenue, near Bloor street; No. 15, Cowan avenue, near Queen street; St. Lawrence Hall.

#### MAIL SERVICE.

Of all features that pertain to an enterprising and progressive community, there is not, as it is needless to remark, any more useful or indispensable than the Post Office, and, as a consequence, its management, efficiency and service are matters of peculiar importance. In this respect Toronto is especially favored, the facilities, management and service being of more than an ordinarily superior character. In the central portion of the city, bounded by Simcoe, Queen, Jarvis and Esplanade streets, there are no less than five deliveries daily. In that portion of the city outside the above limits there are four deliveries, an aggregate of three deliveries per diem being made in any and all parts of the city. Branch post offices are situated at Parkdale, Brockton, Yorkville, Dovercourt, Leslieville, Riverside, 460 Spadina avenue, 154 Dundas street, Bathurst street, corner Queen, 351 Yonge street, 552 Bloor, 491 Parliament, 199 Wellesley, 127 Strachan avenue, 301 Queen east, 357 Queen west and 137 King west.

#### WATER SUPPLY.

A subject of importance in any city is the character and quality of its public water supply. We deem this subject of so much consequence that we present the following facts concerning the water facilities of Toronto. Toronto is, in fact, possessed of waterworks surpassed by none in the Dominion of Canada. The present waterworks are beautifully situated on the summit of the hill north of Toronto, where a miniature lake of nine acres, floored and walled with stone, serves as a reservoir. The grounds are beautifully kept, and overlook on one side the Mount Pleasant Cemetery and the park-like ravine, which extends in this direction from Rosedale. While the higher elevation of Lake Simcoe has been suggested as being capable of furnishing a purer supply than the water drawn from Lake Ontario, the mortality statistics none the less proclaim that the water now in use is as free from organic impurities as any natural water ever is.

#### A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE CITY'S PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

It would be impossible, within the prescribed limits of this statistical review, to do justice in detail to the myriad of buildings, both public

and private, which in their individuality and uniformly handsome features proclaim Toronto one of the premier cities of the Dominion, as viewed from the aspect of ornate architecture. We have, therefore, simply selected at random from a perfect "embarras de richesse" in point of nobly attractive structures, a few of the many which would indelibly endorse our sentiments in the opening sentence we have submitted under this caption.

The PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, situate at the southern end of the Queen's Park, are the new Parliament Buildings for the Province of Ontario, and no matter what point of view the building is seen from, it presents an imposing appearance. The view from the front of the building takes in the handsome University avenue. Looking northward, Avenue road, a continuation of University avenue, is seen beyond the group of oaks that adorn the park, stretching as far as the new Upper Canada College. The principal frontage is 435 feet, with a depth of 260 feet, the main entrance forming a double letter E, and enclosing within its walls over 76,000 square feet. In architectural design it is Romanesque, the carved surfaces following the Celtic and Indo-Germanic schools. The main walls are constructed of Credit Valley sandstone, its reddish brown tinge producing a most pleasing effect of color. The centre façade measures 120 by 125 feet. Among the most striking features of the buildings are the porte cochères at the eastern and western ends. The stone carving, taken in its entirety, is, perhaps, to be classed among the chief glories of the building. The largest specimen of carving is the sculptured frieze, nearly 70 feet long and 15 feet high, surmounting the three great windows in the centre structure. The stonework represents, in heroic size, allegorical figures of music, agriculture, commerce, art, science, law, philosophy, architecture, engineering and literature grouped on either sides of the arms of the province. On the east and west side of the main entrance excellent likenesses are carved in stone of Governor Simcoe, Chief Justice Robinson, John Sanfield Macdonald, Edward Blake, Timothy Blair Pardee, Sir Isaac Brock, Robert Baldwin and Matthew Crooks Cameron. The main entrance is composed of three noble arches, 18 feet wide by 26 feet high. This entrance is flanked by the great towers with their domes of copper

and their wealth of stone design. Magnificent views are obtained from these towers. The structure took six years to complete at a cost of \$1,250,000.

The GOVERNMENT HOUSE, the residence of the Lieutenant-Governor Hon. Geo. A. Kirkpatrick, is situate opposite St. Andrew's Church at the junction of King and Simcoe streets, and is designed in the modern style of French architecture. Red brick is the material used in the walls, relieved with Ohio cut-stone dressings. Towards Simcoe street the frontage is about 80 feet, and in the centre it rises to a tower 70 feet high, finished with a handsome wrought iron railing. The frontage of the main building towards King street is about 88 feet. Covering the main entrance, which is under the tower facing Simcoe street, is a large handsome carriage porch supported on clusters of Corinthian columns, resting on cut stone pedestals. The inside of the building is furnished in most elaborate style, with all modern conveniences. The grounds have recently been much altered and improved and approaches of Nicholson pavement put to the entrances.

The TORONTO POST OFFICE is an admirably appointed structure (a capital view of which is shown on page 15 of this work), situate on Adelaide street east, facing Toronto street. The style of architecture is Italian. It is 75 feet in front and 60 deep, and is 66 feet to the eaves, but a dome carries it 35 feet higher. The building is of richly wrought Ohio stone, three stories high, and a lofty attic in a mansard roof. The front elevation is composed of a central break, which is relieved with complex columns and pilasters, with polished caps and marble bases, and moulded cornices, at heights corresponding with each floor. In the rear of the main building is another, one story high, with basement.

OSGOODE HALL (see illustration, p. 20) is on Queen street at the head of York, and stands in some six acres of ornamental grounds. It was named after the late Hon. Wm. Osgoode, the Chief Justice of Upper Canada, the cost of the building amounting to about \$300,000. Here the Law Society for the Province has its home, and here sit the judges of the superior courts. A law school has also been here established, under the direction and tuition of three readers, respectively designated the



Reader on Common Law, the Reader on Equity and the Reader on Real Property. Four scholarships have been established, one for students one year's standing, of £30 per annum; one for students under two years' standing, of £40 per annum; one for students under three years' standing, of £50; and one for students under four years' standing, of £60 per annum.

The UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS, an admirable front view of which will be found on page 40, are centrally and eligibly located in Queen's Park. This magnificent pile was erected during the years 1854 to 1859 to provide accommodation, not only for the University of Toronto (which simply confers degrees), but also for the University College, with its various lecture rooms, residences and students' quarters. The massive structure was designed by Messrs. Cumberland and Storm. The chief façades of the building are to the south and east, the former of great massive elevation, for distant effect from the lake and city. The general outline of the building approaches the form of a square, having an internal quadrangle of about 200 feet square, the north side of which is left open to the park. The main frontage of the south is about 300 feet long, with a massive Norman tower in its centre, 120 feet in height, and comprising two stories—that on the ground floor being



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devoted to lecture rooms, and the upper story to library and museum. The east side of the building is 260 feet in length and entered by a subsidiary tower. The west end of the quadrangle is about 260 feet in



NEW COURT HOUSE

length, and is used as residences for the students. The whole cost was about \$500,000. In Feb., 1890, the building was destroyed by fire, caused by the accidental overthrow of a lamp, and has since been rebuilt. The Volunteer Monument will be found pictorially depicted in these pages and stands in close proximity to the University and was erected by the public in memory of the volunteers who fell in the act of repelling the invasion of the Fenian marauders from the United States in 1866.

**EXHIBITION BUILDINGS.**—A short distance due west of the Lieutenant-Governor's residence will be found the famous Toronto Exhibition Buildings. They were opened by Lord Dufferin, late Governor-General of Canada, in Sept., 1878. The palace is built with solid brick foundations, with sides and roof of glass, and affords admirable accommodations for the advantageous exhibition of goods. The whole of the buildings on the grounds, including the crystal palace building, were erected in the short period of ninety days, and the cost of the whole was upwards of £50,000. The grounds, occupying some sixty acres, are the finest in the Dominion of Canada. They are most beautifully located on the shore of Lake Ontario, on the western outskirts of the city, and from them a splendid view of Toronto, with the surrounding country and lake, can be obtained. They are easy of access, and can be reached in a few minutes by the Grand Trunk Railway, Street Railway, and a line of steamers which run to the Exhibition wharf.

**MANNING ARCADE** (see page 23) is unquestionably one of Toronto's most imposing business structures, and is located on King street, a short distance west of Yonge. The entrance is on King street, to the beauty

of which  $\frac{1}{2}$ s magnificent cut stone façade, and its wide archway and Egyptian pillars are a valuable addition. By reason of its central location and superior accommodation office room is in great demand.

The new building of the CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION is a notable addition to the architectural outfit of Toronto, and one which would grace the finest street of the greatest city in the world. It has an extended frontage on Yonge, Richmond and Victoria streets of 427 feet, and covers an area of 21,500 square feet. There are seven stories above the ground level, and a basement under the whole building, the height from the lowest to the highest floor level being nearly 100 feet. The tower in the centre of the Richmond street façade rises to a total height of 211 feet from the ground line, and two minor towers mark the corners of Yonge and Victoria streets. The base of the building is of Connecticut brown stone, and the remainder of the stone used throughout for dressing is red sand from the Portage Entry quarries. The bricks used are of a rich brown chocolate color, made expressly for this work by the Toronto Pressed Brick Company to harmonize with the stone, and this harmony of tints greatly enhances the beauty of design, sufficient contrast being obtained by the green slates of the roofs. The design is well conceived, the grouping of parts very effective, and the building has a dignity unusual in a Gothic design. The construction throughout is upon what is known as the slow-burning principle, that is, at each story, solid heavy wooden beams, about four feet apart, carry the flooring, which is in thicknesses of 3-inch plank and one thickness of inch boarding, leaving the beams open beneath, and having an under side of flooring plastered, thus forming a panelled ceiling. In no case is there a beam built into the walls, but each rests on a stone corbel, so that in case of fire they slowly burn or char, and fall free of, and do no injury to, the walls. The vaults, of which there are eighty in the building, are entirely fire-proof, built on solid foundations from the basement. The timber in the constructional woodwork is carefully selected Douglas fir. This was the first introduction of British Columbia timber into Toronto for general building purposes. The interior arrangements of the building provide the largest pile of offices in the city. The Confederation Life Association occupies the whole of the first floor east of the main tower.

The main office is a room 60 x 40 feet and 26 feet high, and is enriched with beautiful plaster-cast ornaments, which are quite unique in this country, and the decoration of the room is second to none in the Dominion. In connection with the company's offices is a securities vault. It is 12 x 8 x 8 feet, built of solid metal  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, made up of nine thicknesses of chronic steel and iron, placed alternately, and, without question, this is the strongest that has ever been built in Canada, and he who would enter it with the aid of a jimmy, flow-pipe, or even explosives, must be an enterprising burglar indeed. The remainder of the building is laid out in offices for renting. These are supplied with all modern arrangements and improvements. One important feature is, that every room has large outside windows, thus giving good light and ventilation. Every suite of two rooms has a vault, also a lavatory and basin. There is not a dark corner anywhere, all being well lighted and ventilated. The building is heated with steam. Open fire-places are also plentifully distributed throughout each floor. The ventilating arrangement is worked by an exhaust-fan, driven by electricity, supplying hot air in winter and cool air in summer, and constantly drawing off the vitiated air. Both electric light and gas is supplied to every room in the building. The main staircase is built of iron; the steps are slate, resting on iron stringers. There are four large elevators, of most recent and modern make, which are run by electricity. On the top floor is a large assembly hall, supper room, and ante-room, janitor's quarters, and a large, handsome lavatory for the general use of tenants (in addition to those on each floor). The building is also provided with a mail-chute, situate near the elevators, and connected with a mail-box, from which collections are made at short intervals. The general inside finish is of white oak. The principal entrance-hall and vestibule are lined with marble, and paved with mosaic. The whole of the building must impress the visitor with the thought that not only good work but careful planning has been put into this structure to make it complete and satisfactory in every respect. There is nothing garish or tawdry anywhere; everything is first-class, and thoroughly in keeping with the character of the place, as a building devoted to business. There are no dark corners which can never be kept clean, no ill-finished woodwork, or cheap fittings. Those who are so fortunate as to have their office in

the building are sure of comfort and convenience at all times, so that their work, whatever it may be, can be carried on with a minimum of trouble, and at a minimum of expense. The main office of the Confederation Life Association is one of the handsomest rooms devoted to business. It has a total length, from north to south, of 60 feet, by a depth of 48 feet, the height being 26. The great columns which support the superstructure are finished in Parian cement, which gives a finish as fine and durable as marble. The columns are surmounted with cast and modelled caps. The work on these caps is unexcelled by anything of its kind in any office building. The subject is a treatment of natural leaves, and in the arrangement and execution of this fine piece of work, the artist has left nothing to be desired. The painted decorations on ceilings and walls are exceptionally fine, and they are designed so as to overcome the appearance of emptiness which would otherwise necessarily exist in a large office-room, where furnishings or ornamentations that would lumber the place, and interfere with the free movements of those at work, cannot be used. The woodwork and furnishings are all of natural oak, the color of which harmonizes with the other features of the building; abundance of light is admitted from spacious plate-glass windows.

The CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE BUILDING on King street west, between Yonge and Bay streets, is one of the finest structures which form the pride of Toronto. It is one of the most costly, as it is also among the handsomest office buildings in the Dominion, and there are few edifices devoted to the purposes of business, even in New York, which can rival its architectural beauty. Its design is quite original, and the object kept in view, viz., to provide plenty of light to every room, giving to all offices an outward exposure, has been reached by breaking the continuity of the face front of the building by means of a well or court, at the back of which the structure rises to greater height than in other portions, presenting an imposing, tower-like appearance. The building has an elevation of seven stories. The first story presents a massive granite front, the entrance flanked by polished granite pillars, while the second story is of red sandstone, and the upper one of a dark brick. The main entrance is through a court, across

the front of which is an immense polished granite block, borne upon polished granite pillars, and leading to the grand vestibule, to the offices on either side, and to the stairways and elevators in the tower at the rear of the building. The walls of the vestibule are inlaid with Mexican onyx, and the great corridor is paved with old Roman mosaic tile. The building contains about one hundred office suites, and is one of the most perfectly appointed in the world.

The building of the CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE is one of Toronto's chief architectural features. Its location at the corner of King and Jordan streets is excellent, and convenient alike to the wholesale and retail districts. The building of the modern Italian Renaissance style is at once substantial and of handsome appearance. It is built of a deep brown sandstone, which gives it a massive appearance, its uniformity relieved by delicate chiselwork and other tasteful ornamentation, while the front is broken by an abundance of windows, which give much more than the usual amount of light. It is six stories in height, has a double façade, and a handsome tower fronting on both King and Jordan streets. The interior has been laid out so as to afford the maximum of space, while the interior decorations are rich and harmonious. Suites of rooms open out off the main floor, and an *entresol*, artistically designed, affords ample accommodation for the bank parlors. Massive burglar and fireproof vaults with ample storage facilities add to the completeness of the equipment of the building, and the upper floors are devoted to offices, the latter being among the best appointed and most comfortable in the city.

EQUITY CHAMBERS, at the corner of Victoria and Adelaide streets, is one of the pioneers of the many buildings specially erected in this city for office purposes. Mr. Robt. Carswell, the well-known law publisher, conceived the idea of erecting a centrally-situated block which would be specially adapted to the use of the legal fraternity for law offices, and the construction of the Equity Chambers was the result. In its design the principal object kept in view has been the assurance of abundance of light and good ventilation, and this building marks an era in the history of architectural progress in Ontario, it being the first designed

here to provide first-class accommodation for law firms, and to offer them a home suitable to their needs and requirements. This was also the first building in Toronto to introduce elevator facilities for the convenience of its tenants. It is heated throughout by hot water, and the elevator is run by hydraulic power. The structure is of the Gothic order, of brick, six stories in height, and has a frontage of 40 feet on Adelaide street, and of 90 on Victoria. It is in close proximity to the post office, and is a valuable addition to the architectural attractions of the city.

KNOX COLLEGE, located on Spadina avenue, is the metropolitan theological training hall of the Canada Presbyterian Church. It was erected in 1875, and presents a severe, dignified and impressive appearance. It is of the Gothic order of architecture, the material being white brick, with dressings of cut stone. The building has a frontage of 230 feet, each of the wings extending in a northerly direction 130 feet. A massive tower, 130 feet in height, surmounts the main entrance. The interior is fully in keeping with the nature and aims of the institution, and contains numerous lecture rooms, a fine library, a convocation hall, and residential accommodation for a number of students.

In the FREEHOLD LOAN AND SAVINGS BUILDING, at the north-west corner of Victoria and Adelaide streets, Toronto possesses an office structure which would be a credit to any of the great metropolitan cities of the world. Designed expressly to meet the increasing demand for superior office accommodation, it is at once handsome, architecturally beautiful, and eminently fitted for business purposes. The exterior is of red sandstone, and with its elegant tower the building is a noticeable feature in the lavish architectural display made in this city. The main entrance is on Victoria street, the hall and vestibule being lined with marble and marble paved. Elevators driven by electricity connect the



CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY'S BUILDING.



CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY'S BUILDING.

six floors, gas and electric lights are supplied to every room, and no modern convenience has been omitted. A mail-chute runs from the ground floor to the sixth, from which collections are regularly and frequently made. There are no dark rooms, every one having an outside opening, thus assuring an abundance of light and perfect ventilation. The building is heated throughout by steam.

The new COURT HOUSE, which is still under way of construction, is located on Queen street west, near Yonge street. The dimensions of the building will be 300 feet square, the main building being five stories high with centre and corner bays seven stories, in addition to which there will be a tower 300 feet in height. There will be a court in the centre 120 feet square. When completed it will present a massive and dignified appearance, fully in keeping with the value of the business to be transacted within its walls, and Toronto will justly claim the finest Temple of Justice not only in the Dominion of Canada, but on the whole American continent.

A reference should also be made to the magnificent new BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING at the corner of Yonge and Front streets. It is a massive structure of stone and brick, six stories in height, with highly ornamental façades, and is a model building for both Board of Trade and office purposes.

Thus far, perhaps, our remarks have been more or less directed to the subject-matter of our various illustrations—a fact, however, which is not by any means to be regarded that they embrace anything more than an infinitesimal portion of the "Queen City's" notable buildings. Were we to attempt to enumerate in detail the entire collection of noble structures which stand as living monuments to Toronto's progressiveness, such an undertaking would require volumes. The few cited, however, must, with the limit of space at our command, serve to impress the most obtuse reader that enlightened education and advanced commerce mark their dominion over Toronto in the direction of a vast array of edifices devoted to the maintenance of their ends, of remarkable architectural beauty.



## TORONTO INDUSTRIALLY CONSIDERED.

Much may be truthfully written of the advantages possessed by an industrial town as compared with those of a commercial or agricultural community. The last mentioned was the first in the order of civilization. Man's first possessions were the direct products of the soil. That people living continuously in one place might possess the various articles resulting from differences of climate and peculiarities of soil, an interchange of productions became necessary, and thus arose commerce. At this stage of the world's progress, owing to the accumulation of nature's products, men first had leisure. With leisure came the cultivation of the intellect, when men began to analyze and compare the various commodities in order to learn what changes in character and form and combinations of different articles were possible, to the end that means might be attained for gratifying the added desires and wants of man. Thus mechanical skill was quickened into life and activity, and thence arose industry. Agriculture, commerce and industry thus are typical of the grades of civilization, the last mentioned being latest in order of appearance, but first in culture and refinement. It is then but the fulfilment of nature's edict that the industrial community is peculiar to modern civilization. With the diffusion of knowledge and the advancement of science came the development of manufactures. No country more forcibly illustrates the truth of our first statement than the Dominion of Canada. Here are the finest types of the manufacturing village or city. Nowhere are there industrial communities expressing so high an intellectual and moral tone, and on no city on the American continent shows this to be true more distinctly than the subject of this sketch. From the early settlement, its growth lay in the direction of manufactures. Thus early in the history of Toronto was the foundation laid for a healthful growth in the direction of a high social order. The development has kept pace with the city's advancing prosperity. Soon after its inception, the social status and intelligence of Toronto was above the agricultural community, and she has always been free from feverish demoralizing influences incident to a commercial city. No one can traverse the streets of Toronto without being struck with the recurrence of factories and buildings devoted to manufactures. You meet

with such buildings everywhere. Sometimes it is a long, low structure with a huge chimney; then an immense, square pile, with some hundreds of windows; then it is a square or three sides of a square, the centre full of debris, the buildings all around three, four and five stories in height, and the whirr of the saw and the clang of the hammer is heard on all sides. Many of the establishments employ each hundreds of hands, and the comfort and wealth from all of them is of course enormous. To what extent Toronto is provided with all essentials to make it a most favorable point for the operation of all classes of manufacturing enterprises is shown in the following statement of her advantages:—

Toronto is the capital city of the finest agricultural province in the Dominion. While some localities in Canada excel her in certain products, yet when the adaptations of soil and climate to the production of wheat, corn, rye, oats and barley are considered, it may be truthfully claimed that Toronto and her vicinity excel as an agricultural district adapted to general produce.

2. Toronto has abundance of ground fit for manufacturing sites, and the offer free, by a number of land owners, of double the requirements for new manufacturing buildings.

3. Good water, large supply, promise of an early increase, both of pumpage and storage, cheaper rates and excellent quality; abundance of light, gas and electric; special rates for gas, fuel and electric power.

4. Low taxes, good public buildings, rapid decrease of provincial and municipal debt.

5. Agreeable and comfortable social conditions, elevated domestic life, good churches, cheap private and excellent free schools, free collegiate education, abundance of good dwellings and low rents, profuse and cheap markets.

6. Commercial prosperity, solid banks, good stores and public-spirited tradesmen

7. Cheap and abundant labor, intelligent and well-behaved and orderly working men and women, adaptations of labor to varied light industries.

8. The extraordinary variety of existing industrial establishments, showing the versatility and ready adaptation of the population to new forms of labor.



YONGE STREET, NORTH FROM FRONT STREET.

- 9. Unusual healthfulness and exceptionally low death rate; good sewerage, cleanliness and sanitary conditions.
- 10. Cheapness of building materials.
- 11. Protection from fire and exceptionally low insurance rates.

12. Hospitality of the people, liberality and co-operation from business men, practical assistance from the organized Board of Trade.

#### PRACTICAL RESULTS AS DEFINED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE.

That these considerations have been finding lodgment in the minds of persons on the lookout for the location of industrial works is already manifest. In his recent admirable address to the Board of Trade, Hugh N. Baird, Esq., the well-known president of that organization, delivered himself thus: "If there have been bounds to our progress, and I recognize that there are some who are not satisfied with the ratio of our prosperity, and who point to the United States as an exemplar, it is for us, as sensible business men, to find out what is faulty in our present fiscal arrangements, and consider how it may be put right. But I beg to express my conviction that we have in Canada as high a level of general welfare and contentment as in any country under the sun. Looking to the future, we have the satisfaction of knowing that the unoccupied lands of the earth are to-day very largely in Canada, and future emigration from the more crowded centres must flow to the one or to the other. We need more population, and I consider that everything possible to attract a good class of emigrants should be done, not only by Governmental action, but by any other means of effectually influencing the class in the Old World that we wish to reach. It is germane to my present task to deal briefly with a subject to which this Board has at a former meeting committed itself, viz.: Imperial Preferential Trade. With the possibilities of great extension under our

own flag, it becomes us not to be too ready to go begging, hat in hand at other doors, for an exchange of products—doors which are being closed in our face. As the excellent report of our delegation to the Congress of Chamber of Commerce, recently held in London, deals specially with the matter, I content myself with thus emphasizing the importance of the report these gentlemen will submit, and expressing for myself hearty approval of their united action. In this trade policy, which we believe would do very much to consolidate the Empire, Canada, with her immense wheat fields—the future wheat fields of this continent, her rich mineral deposits, forests and coal beds, and her unrivalled system of railways, is fitted to play a most important part, so important that 'Canada First' may be made truly consistent with the utmost loyalty to the Mother Land."

#### A VATICINATION OF THE FUTURE.

Having sketched, briefly it is true, the characteristics of Toronto as shown in her history, her geographical position, her natural resources, and financial, commercial and social advantages, we may now bestow a glance on the line of progress and development as it stretches into the rear future. In 1834, Toronto possessed few advantages save those conferred by nature. These were many and bountiful indeed, but years passed on and left them substantially unimproved. The spirit of the present age, however, is to look forward, not backward, and the tendency is a good one; and from the pleasing and satisfactory evidences of enterprise and prosperity with which Toronto is teeming at the present time, it is safe to anticipate for her a future of commercial, industrial and social advancement as befits one of the most important mercantile bulwarks of the Dominion of Canada. Toronto has ground room for the expansion of her chest and the stretching of her limbs, and the splendid possibilities of her enormous resources and distributive facilities have not yet been put to anything like an actual test. The time for that is to come and not far distant. The sun of her

own prosperity is ready to sweep higher above the horizon than ever before, and while it is hard to determine to what progressive flights she may soar in the future, it none the less remains a fact that the "Queen City of Canada" has indelibly marked out the course for younger Canadian communities to follow.

The sketches comprised in the following pages afford an excellent reflection of the extent and character of the business' interests of the City of Toronto. A very large proportion of the mercantile, manufacturing and professional houses here reviewed will be recognized as representative concerns, alike in point of capital, enterprise, influence and success. Taken as a whole, this industrial record will fairly indicate the advantages and resources possessed by this city as a manufacturing, purchasing and distributing centre.

The spirit of a business community is, to a large extent, exhibited in the advertisements of its trade; in nothing has the mercantile life of Toronto been more thoroughly awakened up, of late years, than in the methods of advertising. In the following pages some of the leading houses of the city are afforded space to tell their own story, and to set forth, more particularly, the special features of their own trade, in numerous instances accompanied by faithful illustrations of the business places of the "Queen City." These pages epitomize the commercial and manufacturing activity of a busy, prosperous and progressive community—a community which, among the cities of the Canadian Dominion, rightly aspires to a position in the front rank. The several lines of manufacture and trade are represented by houses whose characteristics are such as warrant us in speaking of them in the most eulogistic terms. They are conducted by men who believe that whatever is worth the doing, is worth doing well, and this principle they apply to their daily business. Active, honorable competition has reared the "Queen City's" trade, and the aim of her business men has been to bind this prosperous city to the rest of her competitors by "bands as soft as silk, yet powerful as steel."

# R. PARKER & CO.

## MERCHANT AND JOBBING DYERS AND FINISHERS

Head Office and Works 787 to 791 Yonge Street

TORONTO.

TELEPHONE No. 3640 and 3037.

ONE of our most deservedly popular and successful business enterprises is that conducted by Messrs. R. Parker & Co., merchant and jobbing dyers and finishers, whose head office and works are located at 787 to 791 Yonge street. The business was established in 1876 by Mr. Parker, who is a practical and expert dyer and finisher of many years' experience, and his remarkable success in this city is simply the natural outcome of thorough knowledge, push and enterprise. The plant now operated by the firm is one of the most extensive and perfectly equipped of any of its kind in the country, employing regularly upwards of 100 hands. The main building is a three-story brick structure, 30 x 150 feet in dimensions, with an extension 35 x 150 feet and two stories in height, also an adjoining building 15 x 107 feet, two stories in height, the entire plant being the property of the firm. Every class of dyeing and refinishing is here scientifically and properly executed, embracing dress goods, ribbons, silks, tweeds, yarns, Berlin wools, ostrich plumes, etc. In the dye house are found sixty vats, all of which are in constant operation, and the latest addition to the works is a machine for finishing all-wool and union dress goods. With this machine, goods such as Bedford cords, merinos, cashmeres, nun's veiling, etc., can be finished in first-class style without any shrinkage in the width. Dress suits, ball dresses, gloves, etc., are cleaned and finished with a lustre and beauty that cannot be surpassed in this country or Europe. In the finishing department silks, velvets, satins, etc., are refinished in the most approved manner by new and special machinery. Outside wearing apparel and garments of both ladies and gentlemen are dyed and cleaned in this establishment without ripping apart. The city offices are located as follows: 209 Yonge street and 59 King street west, with branch offices 475 and 1267 Queen street west and 277 Queen street east. Branches have also been established in Hamilton, Brantford, London, Ont., St. Catharines, Galt and Woodstock. The Telephone calls are 3640 and 3037, 1004, 2143, and all orders receive prompt attention. Mr. Parker is an Englishman by birth and a young man of exceptional business ability who, by close application and carefully attending to the interests of his patrons, has built up a business of such magnitude that he finds it now almost impossible to keep pace with the growing demands made upon him. Such a condition of affairs certainly speaks for itself.

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# THE PRESBYTERIAN PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY, Limited.

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In the beginning of 1871 the first issue of The British American Presbyterian (now The Canada Presbyterian) was given to the public. It was "established to supply a long felt want" and to promote the union of the separated Presbyterian bodies at that time in existence in Canada. So well did it fulfil its mission in the latter connection that union, long discussed and anxiously looked for, became an accomplished fact in June, 1875. This gave the paper a considerable impetus and its circulation was greatly extended. A book and job printing business was commenced with the publication of the paper, and this gradually increased in importance and volume until, in 1888, it assumed such proportions as to warrant the formation of the PRESBYTERIAN PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY, with an authorized capital of \$100,000, to carry it on. Mr. C. BLACKETT ROBINSON, the founder of THE PRESBYTERIAN, who transferred his interest to the company, is President, with Mr. A. W. MCLACHLAN, as Secretary-Treasurer. The operations of the company are carried on in convenient quarters at 5 Jordan street, in the business and banking centre of the city. The building in which the offices are situated consists of five flats, one of which is occupied by compositors, who set up the various publications; another forms a commodious press room; while in other portions of the building will be found the business office, editorial rooms, book bindery and mailing and shipping departments. About sixty people are constantly employed. Several of the best printed books ever published in Canada were turned out of this establishment; and the quality of the work continues to be such as to maintain its reputation for first-class book, newspaper, catalogue and commercial printing. As might be expected, the presses, types and general printing plant are all of modern make, carefully selected and well fitted for the production of fine printing, for which the company is noted. The various departments are in charge of experienced workmen, so that patrons may be reasonably certain of having their orders promptly and properly filled.

The PRESBYTERIAN PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY are the publishers of the series of Hymnals authorized by the Presbyterian Church in Canada, which have had a large sale. Among their other publications may be mentioned the Forms of Service, by the Rev. Duncan Morrison, D.D.; Hand Book of Sabbath School Manage-



ment and Work, by Mr. David Fotheringham; History of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, by the Rev. Prof. Gregg, D.D.; the Presbyterian Year Book for the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland; the Improved Class Roll for the use of Sabbath School Teachers, and Improved School Register for the use of Superintendents and Secretaries, both by Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, B.D.

The PRESBYTERIAN PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY are the proprietors of several well-known periodicals. Mention has already been made of The Canada Presbyterian, soon to enter on its twenty-third year, and warmly welcomed from week to week in thousands of homes all over this broad Dominion. This paper, reaching as it does a moral, well-to-do class of the community, is a recognized advertising medium, and is largely patronised by solid business men, not only in Canada, but in Great Britain and the United States. Published at \$2.00 per annum.

The Week, Canada's high-class literary journal, is also published at this office. It reaches a wealthy, cultured class of readers and for certain kinds of advertising is invaluable. It is safe to say that THE WEEK's impartial and well-written criticisms of men and measures are more frequently quoted abroad than those of any other Canadian journal, while at home its dignified and moderate tone has had a wholesome influence on the discussion of public affairs. THE WEEK is a handsome, twenty-four page magazine, published every Friday at \$3 per annum. It is now in its eleventh year and numbers a larger list of friends and admirers than ever before.

The Rural Canadian, an illustrated monthly magazine for the Farm and Home—one of the oldest and best known farm journals in the country—is a great favorite with practical agriculturists in every Province of the Dominion. It recently entered on its seventeenth year, and promises to be increasingly useful to the farmer, the stockman, the gardener, the dairyman, the fruit grower and those interested in poultry and pets. The Home Circle department always contains a quantity of reading of an interesting and elevating character. Price, \$1.00.

The Dominion Odd Fellow is the recognized Canadian organ of a large brotherhood, whose lodge rooms are found all over this continent, and whose beneficent organization extends to many lands. Subscription price, \$1.50.





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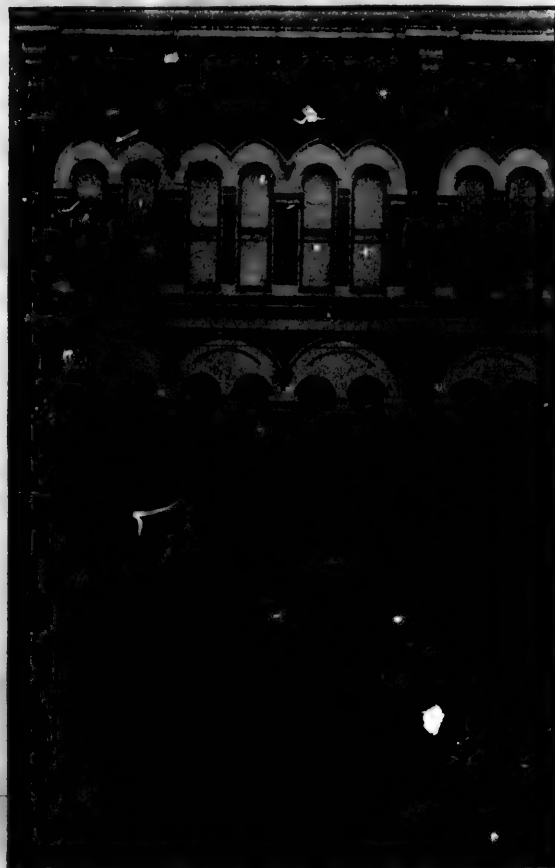
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Indurated Fibre Ware, Etc.

HEADQUARTERS, HULL, CANADA.

Toronto Branch, 29 Front Street West.

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**ELIAS ROGERS & CO.**

# ❖ ELIAS ROGERS & Co., ❖

SHIPPERS AND DEALERS IN

❖ Coal and Wood, ❖

Head Office, 20 King Street West.



The centre of the Canadian western trade in coal is admittedly Toronto, and the high character and standing of the prominent houses engaged in it are the best possible proofs of the magnitude and importance of this branch of the Dominion's commercial interests. In this connection, we desire to refer especially in this commercial review of the Queen City of Canada to the representative and reliable firm of Messrs. Elias Rogers & Co., shippers and dealers in coal and wood, whose head office is located at 20 King street west, Toronto. They have the largest yards and the most improved facilities for handling coal in Canada. Their retail trade is not only more extensive than any other concern in Canada, but we know of no company in any city in the United States handling so large a tonnage and delivering to consumers direct, in fact this firm seems to be in very much the same position in regard to the coal trade that Wannamaker, of Philadelphia, Macy, of New York, and other large concerns of that kind are with relation to their particular lines of business. The middle men's profit being entirely done away with, they are enabled to supply the highest grades of both coal and wood at the lowest possible prices. Mr. Rogers was for many years engaged in mining coal himself in Western Pennsylvania, and his partner, Mr. F. C. Dininny, is at present a large owner of Anthracite coal interests. Their arrangements for wood supplies are equally perfect, and in addition to the retail trade above referred to, they do a very large business in coal at wholesale throughout Canada, supplying this trade direct from the mines. The reputation of their coal stands second to none everywhere and dealers always take Rogers coal if they can get it at even prices. The high character of the members of this firm, and the manner in which they have conducted their business for so many years has won for them a position in the trade which is unassailable by competitors. In Toronto, in addition to their head office at 20 King street west, they have offices for the convenience of their customers at 409 Yonge street, 793 Yonge street, 306 Queen street east, 578 Queen street west, 1342 Queen street west, and 419 Spadina Ave., also at their yards, Esplanade, foot of West Market street, Esplanade near Berkeley street and Bathurst street opposite Front street. They also have one of the best arranged telephone systems in the city, all offices being connected, and a number of lines from the central running to the head office, a large amount of business being done by telephone.



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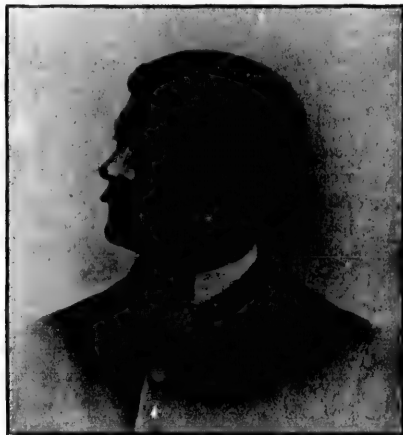
The Parlors and Operating Rooms of M. F. Smith, Dentist, are located on the Second Floor of this Building.

# \* M. F. SMITH, \* DENTIST,

Canada Life Assurance Company's Building.

Among the leading members of the dental profession in the city of Toronto is Mr. M. F. Smith, whose parlors and operating rooms are situated in the Canada Life Building, King street west. All the best and most elaborate fittings, instruments and apparatus are to be found in this dental establishment, including electric supply power, while Mr. Smith uses small incandescent electric lights to illuminate the mouths of his patients when necessary. It is difficult to imagine a set of operating rooms more completely furnished, having been specially planned and built on the second floor of the Canada Life Building, and easily accessible by elevator. There are four operating rooms, and one of them is used exclusively for extracting teeth and is fitted with an operating table and everything that is needful. The laboratory is provided with

a double bench, one side of which is fitted with motor lathes. There are places for workmen in gold, vulcanite and celluloid, and no city in Canada or the United States can show a more completely equipped establishment than this one. All kinds of artificial teeth are made singly or in sets, crown and bridge work being a specialty, and the work in this branch cannot be surpassed for artistic, executive and beautiful effects. Filling in gold, silver, etc., also the painless extraction of teeth are given particular attention. Engagements are always promptly met, while the charges are very fair and consistent with first-class work, and to seek Mr. Smith's services once is to be his patron always.

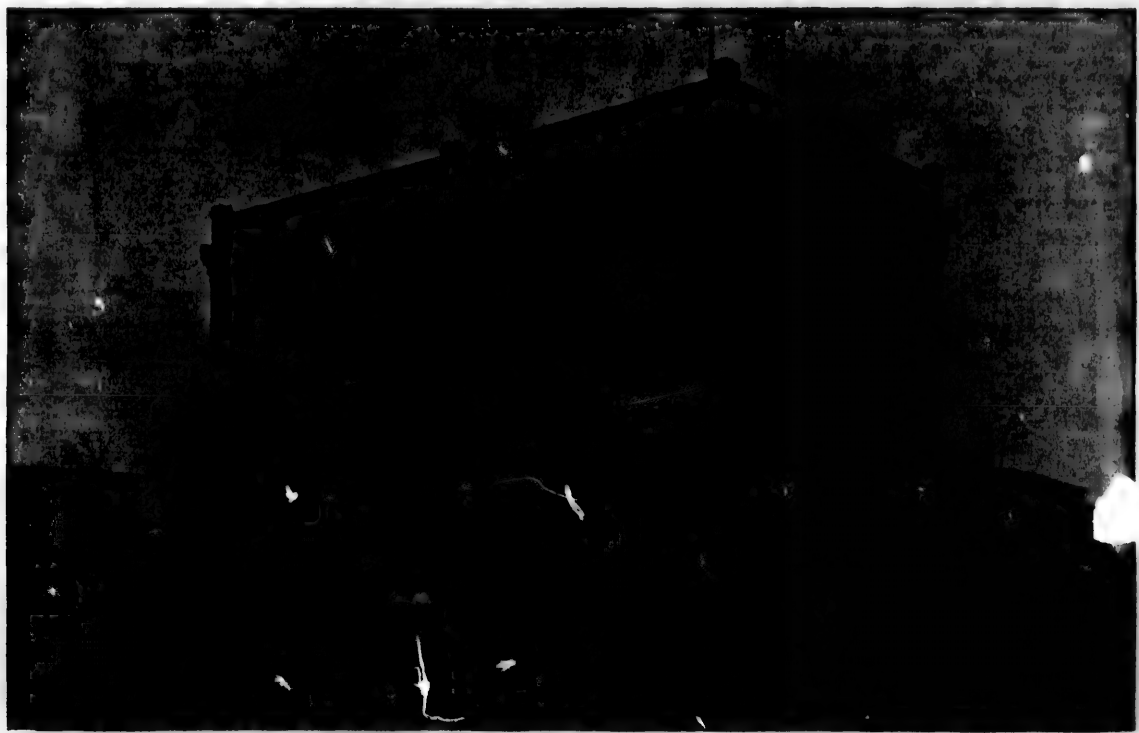


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AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

■ ■ TORONTO JUNCTION



THE production of art woodwork for fine interior decoration has in the last few years grown to be an industry of large proportions, and the most expensive artistic talent and immense capital are employed in its prosecution. A representative house in this line is that of Messrs. Wagner, Zeidler & Co., whose plant is located at Toronto Junction. The business was established in 1879 by the present proprietors, Messrs. Geo. P. Wagner and Carl Zeidler, both of whom have had long experience in this special line. Their factory at Toronto Junction is very extensive, occupying a four-story building, 54 x 100 feet in dimensions, with numerous side buildings, equipped with all the latest improved woodworking machinery, driven by a seventy-five horse-power engine and three boilers of seventy-five horse-power each. An average of one hundred and twenty expert mechanics and cabinet workers are regularly employed and every department of the business is under the watchful and experienced eye of the proprietors. Special attention is given to the finest class of art woodwork for interiors of dwellings, stores and public buildings. Separate estimates and special attention are given to high art carving and cabinet work, when so desired, only the best and most expensive talent being employed in this department of the business. So thorough and artistic has the work undertaken by this house been accomplished, that its patronage has so rapidly grown that it now covers every portion of the Dominion, from Halifax to Vancouver. The firm also make a specialty of show cases of every description. The works have ample transportation facilities, having side track connections with the C.P.R. The interior work of the Parliament Buildings, the Canada Life Building, the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto University, Central Canada Loan and Savings Co. at Toronto; the Bank of Montreal at Hamilton; Restaurant, Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls, Ont., and of many other buildings in this vicinity was done by Wagner, Zeidler & Co.

# -:- Toronto Business and Shorthand College -:-

*W. A. WARRINER, Esq., President.*

College Building : 213-221 Yonge Street and 1 and 3 Shuter Street.



W. A. WARRINER, PRESIDENT.  
TORONTO BUSINESS AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE.

A careful survey of the field in Canada shows unquestionably that the Toronto Business and Shorthand College is much the best. This college has been established for many years, and early attained a high degree of efficiency. Early in 1893 it passed under the exceptionally capable management of Mr. W. A. Warriner. As the founder and principal of the Warriner College of Commerce, Toronto, he won a most enviable reputation as an expert accountant, an expert in disputed handwriting before the courts and a marvellously successful business educator. For over eleven years Mr. Warriner has been principal or proprietor of one of the leading colleges. He has large ideas regarding the possibilities of his profession, possesses thorough acquaintance with all its fea



HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS.  
N. C. BREWSTER, W. A. WARRINER,  
MISS A. G. GILLESPIE,

MISS ANNIE COOMES,  
H. W. HENRY.

tures, is fertile in resource and has an indomitable will to carry out his well-laid plans. As a disciplinarian and far-sighted organizer he has few superiors. These two reliable institutions—the Toronto Business College, with its world-wide patronage, and Warriner College of Commerce, with its educational standards, admittedly the highest to be found—have been amalgamated, with headquarters in the splendidly remodelled college premises at corner of Yonge and Shuter streets. This combination, together with the improvements made, gives the institution the undisputed distinction of possessing the largest faculty, the largest attendance and the finest equipment and facilities in Canada.

We will first direct the attention of our readers to the building and accommodations. The building is a very handsome modern structure, located most centrally on the corner of Yonge and Shuter streets, easy of access and in direct communication by street railroad with every section of the city. The class rooms and lecture rooms are all large, perfectly lit on four sides, thoroughly ventilated; possessing every convenience, every comfort and every modern improvement. The college premises are elaborately fitted up in the highest style of the decorators' and cabinetmakers' arts, and students pursue their studies amid elegant, refined surroundings, the counterpart of those in our finest offices. There is no question that Toronto is the metropolitan centre for British Canadians, where they find all the industries and commercial establishments conducted upon the most approved, advanced methods. The student who studies and graduates in this great centre is much more likely to secure remunerative employment and rapid promotion than if he went elsewhere.

This college has a broad and comprehensive curriculum, covering every feature of business education, including a telegraph school, banks organized on the American, National and Canadian systems, and a regularly organized railway company. These are a few of the features not found in any other college, for this one leads in new ideas, fresh educational methods, with correspondingly grand results.

The business department is under the principalship of Prof. Hugh W. Henry, an experienced accountant and teacher, of superior education and ability. Few business educators enjoy the measure of success that distinguishes Prof. Henry for arousing the interest and enthusiasm of students and bringing out their best powers.

Book-keeping is taught here in the most scientific, practical manner, graded in departments, known as the junior, senior, and business practice; the most modern and reliable text books are used and pupils are systematically drilled, until they thoroughly understand the reasons for every entry made, and are then launched upon a practical course of office and counting-room discipline, where the text books are discarded and the students have to depend on their own resources in buying and selling; opening and closing their sets of books; preparing a

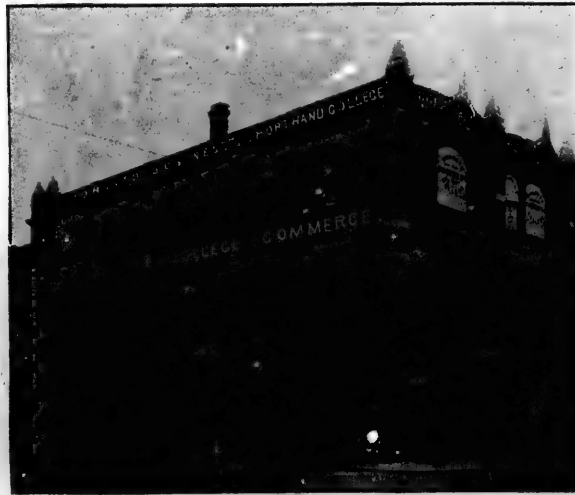
The methods used give the student actual experience in those things he must do, and do right, if he is to succeed when he gets out in the world of men and affairs. These methods are adopted to train students to do for themselves; the result is the graduates are competent, and much sought after in business circles. So exhaustive and thorough is this department, that the student begins by visiting a real estate agent (in the college); here's his store or office (represented by a desk), and then with his capital, in money of college issue, begins a business career, the exact duplicate of those pursued in the busy city. Here he actually buys and sells goods, opens bank accounts, draws, receives and negotiates all descriptions of commercial paper, makes out invoices, statements of accounts, balance sheets, etc. There are two banks in the department, one organized after the Canadian form, the other after the form of the National Banking system of the United States. Then there is the great "Merchants Emporium"—the equivalent of the most extensive commercial houses in the Dominion. The Commission House gives thorough drill in this important line, while the students have to act as real estate and insurance agents, as postal clerks, notaries, as advertising agents, as exchange brokers, etc.

Penmanship is a first consideration to the student. It is a vital necessity to be able to write a rapid, clear and legible hand, and is acquired under the skillful guidance of Prof. N. C. Brewster, late of New York, conceded to be the most accomplished penman, ornamental writer and engrosser in the Dominion. He also teaches box-marking, rapid lettering and automatic shading for show cards and tickets.

The principalship of the Shorthand department is filled by Miss A. G. Gillespie, who is one of the most accomplished and successful shorthand teachers in America.

President Warriner, in addition to the special talks by the heads of departments, delivers courses of lectures on commercial law, expert accounting, parliamentary law and procedure, and banking.

Mr. Warriner has surrounded himself with a specially selected staff of experts, masters of the branches taught, and the faculty is the most competent and this institution heads the list of thorough, reliable and progressive business colleges in the Dominion.



balance sheet, etc. The system of practical business education adopted here is simply wonderful; nothing equalling it can be found on either side the Atlantic.

The actual business department is a reflex of the great mercantile and industrial world, where the student is compelled to rely on his own resources. The plan of the course is a practical illustration of a wider range of difficult book-keeping and financial problems than was ever before embodied in a course of instruction.

# JOHN J. DIXON & CO.

BANKERS & BROKERS,

Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions,

Canada Life Assurance Building,

46 KING STREET WEST.

A thoroughly representative firm of brokers in Toronto is that of John J. Dixon & Co., whose office is in the Canada Life Assurance building. The firm is one of the most enterprising and widely known in this line, having direct private wire connection with New York and Chicago. They buy and sell for cash or on a margin stocks, bonds, grain, provisions, cotton and coffee, and do a strictly commission business. Their close connection with important interests in the leading market centres enables them to furnish early and valuable information regarding the securities and commodities offered on the different American and Canadian exchanges. They are in receipt of continuous quotations over their private wires from all the leading markets, and have earned an enviable reputation for their strict integrity and honorable manner of transacting business. Mr. John J. Dixon, the active head of the firm, has had a practical experience extending over fourteen years, and possesses an accurate knowledge of every detail of the stock and grain markets. The firm has been established in business since 1889, and the success which has attended their efforts attests the esteem and unbounded confidence reposed in them by their patrons. Correspondence is invited and all enquiries receive immediate attention.

THE BROWN BROS. LIMITED,  
Importers, Wholesale and Manufacturing Stationers, Bookbinders, Etc.,  
64, 66 AND 68 KING STREET EAST.

Toronto is certainly a city of immense business enterprises and in no department of her commercial activity has there been a more marked growth than in that of stationery, manufacturing and its kindred branches. One of the largest and most thoroughly representative houses is that of The Brown Brothers (Limited), wholesale and manufacturing stationers, importers, account-book manufacturers, bookbinders, manufacturers of leather goods, etc., whose commodious and finely equipped premises are located at 64, 66 and 68 King street east. This house was established in 1846 by the father of the present proprietors, who succeeded in 1856. The building occupied by the firm extends from King street through to Court, a distance of about 185 feet and is a five story structure 60 feet in width. On the ground floor are the offices and sales-rooms where is carried an immense stock of flat paper and general assorted stationery. The second flat is devoted to leather goods, leather stock, cloth, colors, thread, marble paper, board, and general assortment of bookbinders' supplies. On the third is located the bindery, equipped with all the latest improved machinery and appliances, operated by a fifteen horse-power engine. On the fourth flat is the pocket-book manufacturing and leather goods department, the largest in the city. Upwards of one hundred and thirty hands are regularly employed and every department of the business is under the most thorough and careful supervision of competent heads. They deal in everything in the stationery line and an immense and varied stock is always on hand. They make a leading specialty of manufacturing blank books, and in this department of their business they control the leading and largest trade in the city. A special feature is flat opening blank books of which they hold the patent. They also manufacture a general line of wallets, pocket-books, ladies' hand satchels, and leather stationery goods. Special attention is paid to printers' and bookbinders' materials, these being imported from the leading sources of supply in Europe and the United States. The firm are publishers of the Canadian Office and Pocket Diary, also agents for the Caligraph, Edison mimeograph, Esterbrooks' pens, etc. They are also sole agents in Canada for Arnold's inks. During the past year the business was duly incorporated under the present style with ample capital, the officers and principal stockholders being Richard Brown, President; Robert S. Brown, Vice-President, and J. T. Hornibrook, Secretary-Treasurer. The trade of the house now extends to every portion of the Dominion and is thoroughly representative of what indomitable energy, push and enterprise can accomplish.

THE J. D. KING CO.  
(LIMITED)

Manufacturers, Importers and Wholesale Dealers in

FINE BOOTS AND SHOES

122, 124 and 126 Wellington St. West.

Toronto has long been noted as being the leading centre of the wholesale boot and shoe trade of Canada, while the command of large capital, coupled with the well known energy and enterprise of the representative members of this growing industry has permanently retained the supremacy. Prominent among the largest and most progressive houses that give tone and character to this trade is that known as The J. D. King Company (Limited), manufacturers, importers and wholesale dealers in boots and shoes, whose offices, factory and salesrooms are situated at 122, 124 and 126 Wellington street west. This business was established in 1870, and eventually was incorporated with ample capital, Mr. J. D. King being the President and Manager. Mr. King is an able and experienced shoe manufacturer, fully conversant with every detail and feature of this valuable industry and of the requirements of jobbers, retailers and the general public. The premises occupied comprise a spacious five-story and basement building, 60x100 feet in area. The various departments are fully supplied with the latest improved tools, appliances and machinery, operated by a forty-horse power steam engine, and altogether, with the Lewis Factory, five hundred skilled hands are employed, and the trade of the Company now extends from Halifax to Vancouver. The Company uses only the best grades of leather and findings, and manufacture 7,000 pairs of fine boots and shoes weekly. These goods are unrivalled for quality; finish, durability and workmanship, and have no superiors in this or any other market, while the prices quoted by the Company in all cases necessarily attracts the attention of careful and close buyers. The business is strictly wholesale, and six travelling salesmen represent the house. Mr. J. D. King is highly esteemed in trade circles for his skill and just methods and has built up a business and reputation alike creditable to his industry, energy and enterprise. Orders are promptly and carefully filled at lowest figures, and all goods are fully warranted to be exactly as represented. The factory at Toronto manufactures fine goods exclusively.

**E. O. GRAHAM**  
**NURSERYMAN,**  
**ROCHESTER, N. Y.**  
**TORONTO, ONT.**

**TORONTO BRANCH:**  
**48 KING ST. WEST.**

This is the Toronto Branch of the famous house of Mr. E. O. Graham, Nurseryman, Rochester, N. Y. The business was established in Rochester in 1873, and the Toronto Branch, at 48 King St. West, was opened in 1888. Mr. Graham owns the finest and best-kept nurseries in America, and is always prepared to fill orders with first-class stock at lowest figures, and to deliver the same in a healthy and thrifty condition. He also has large nurseries at Pelham, Ont., and employs in the United States and Canada 800 persons, including agents. He deals in everything pertaining to trees and ornamental shrubs, and the business is both wholesale and retail, extending throughout the entire United States and Canada.

**FOX BROS.,**  
**DON PACKING HOUSE,**  
**ST. LAWRENCE STREET.**

Dealers in Hams, Bacon, Lard, Bologna, Pork and Wiener Sausage, Black and White Pudding.

The packing and curing of meat is an important industry in Toronto, and is well represented by the Fox Brothers, who occupy a two-story building, 30 x 50 feet, with a width 30 x 40 feet on St. Lawrence street, corner Eastern avenue. The Messrs. Fox, who have had an extended experience in their business, commenced operations in 1891, at 219 Sumach street, and in 1893, owing to increasing trade, which necessitated larger quarters, a removal was made to the premises now occupied, and known as the Don Packing House. The building throughout is perfectly fitted with special appliances, the latest improved sausage machinery, and a fifty-horsepower steam engine, and the services of a large force of workmen are brought into requisition. The firm cure and deal in sugar-cured hams, bacon, lard, and smoked and salt meats of all kinds, and manufacture a superior quality of fresh sausage, also Wiener sausage, black and white pudding, etc., and supply dealers, families and a large hotel and restaurant trade, two delivery wagons being constantly busy. The products of the Don Packing House have a wide reputation and are unsurpassed in quality and superior excellence. W. and J. Fox are natives of England and have resided in Toronto many years. They are thorough, active business men, widely known, and the success they enjoy has been won by sheer energy and merit and the high standard quality of their products.

**A. H. CHEESBROUGH, L.D.S.**

[ESTABLISHED, 1888.]

**South-East corner of Queen and Yonge Sts.**



A leading dental practitioner in Toronto is A. H. Cheesbrough, L. D. S., a graduate of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario. He established himself in this city in 1888. Dr. Cheesbrough is an expert in all branches of his profession, particularly in crown and bridge work, and pays special attention to the preservation of the natural teeth—does filling with all the different materials in use, and has at his command the latest and most approved appliances. His offices are centrally located at the south-east corner of Queen and Yonge streets. Dr. Cheesbrough is an Englishman by birth, and has gained during the five years of his practice in this city an enviable reputation for superior work, while his charges are always reasonable.





## The Gutta Percha & Rubber Mfg. Co. OF TORONTO, Ltd.

WAREHOUSE & OFFICE,  
51 AND 53 FRONT ST. WEST.

FABRICATOR,  
PARKDALE, ONT.

Toronto is to be congratulated upon possessing the largest and best equipped rubber belting and fire hose manufacturing establishment in the country, namely, The Gutta Percha & Rubber Manufacturing Company of Toronto, Limited, whose factories are located at Parkdale, Ont., and office and warehouse 51 and 53 Front street west. The factories at Parkdale are very extensive, occupying several four-storey buildings, the total dimensions of the main building being 65 x 327 feet, equipped with all the latest improved and most expensive machinery, and upwards of one hundred hands are regularly employed. The Company manufactures the "Monarch," "Red Strip," and "Lion" brands of belting, the celebrated "Maltese Cross" carbonized steam fire engine hose, which requires no drying, and of which this Company are sole manufacturers, also packing, hose, tubing, mats, macintoshes, rubber clothing, etc. They manufacture hose for all classes of business, including Maltese Cross water hose, plumbers' and brewers' hose, steel clad wire bound hose, steam air brake and locomotive hose, oil, suction, and chemical hose, etc. They also manufacture rubber clothing in dull finish, in drill or sheeting lustre, fancy lined, pure gum camp blankets, hospital sheets, carriage cloth, organ cloth, rubber tarpaulins, horse and piano covers, carriage rugs, etc. In addition they manufacture hot and cold water valves, car and wagon springs, rubber buckets and pails, bicycle treadles, washers, rings, etc. Their "Monarch" brand of rubber belting has gained a national reputation for durability, economy and finish. This company are the pioneers in Canada in the manufacture of macintosh clothing, being the only company in the Dominion actually manufacturing this class of clothing throughout all the different processes. They have perfected this class of manufacture to a point where their garments are by many considered to be superior to any made in the world, in workmanship, style and finish. Their warehouse at 51 and 53 Front street west occupies a handsome four story and basement building, at all times heavily stocked with a full assortment of their productions. The Company are also large importers from England and the United States. Mr. H. D. Warren, the President and Treasurer of the Company, is a very popular and energetic business man, whose standing in the business and social community is of the highest. Mr. C. N. Candee, the Secretary, is an active and able officer, with many years' intimate knowledge of the business.

## BURNS & MCCORMACK. DEALERS IN HARD AND SOFT COAL,

Wood, Sewer Pipe, Fire Bricks,  
Portland Cement, etc.

Office and Yard—Cor. King and Bathurst Streets.

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There is no more widely known and reliable firm in the city of Toronto than that of Messrs. Burns & McCormack, wholesale and retail dealers in coal, cord wood, pine, etc., whose offices and yard are at the corner of King and Bathurst streets. This business was founded in 1882 by Messrs. Burns & McCormack, whose trade extends throughout all sections of the city and its vicinity. The partners have had long experience and possess ample capital and superior connections, thus enabling them to offer substantial advantages to patrons. The yard, which is bounded by Stewart, King and Bathurst streets, is 109 x 208 feet in area, and is fully equipped with every facility and convenience. Here they keep a heavy and choice stock of hard and soft coal, cut and split hard wood, pine, slabs, etc., and they also deal largely in sewer pipe, fire bricks, all kinds of fire-clay products, Portland cement, cedar posts and blocks. Orders for a ton or car lot of coal are promptly filled at the lowest ruling market prices, and the trade of the firm is steadily increasing. All coal purchased of Messrs. Burns & McCormack is guaranteed to maintain in every respect the highest standard of excellence, and holds the front rank as regards the care in its preparation for the market, coming as it does from some of the best equipped collieries in Canada and the United States. Messrs. Burns & McCormack are also contractors for sewers, water mains, pavements, etc., and often employ one hundred men. They have done a large amount of work for the city and its suburbs, to the entire satisfaction of the officials. Mr. Burns was born in Ireland, while Mr. McCormack is a native of Quebec. They are honorable, able and liberal business men, and their social and financial standing is of the highest. Mr. Burns is a prominent Freemason and Odd Fellow, and is one of Toronto's public spirited citizens, and both are members of the Board of Trade. The Telephone call of the office is 1932, and Res. Tel. 5454.

## A. R. WILLIAMS Soho Machine Works Esplanade, East of Union Depot TORONTO.

This is one of the old established and progressive manufacturing concerns of the city of Toronto, engaged not only in the manufacture of engines, boilers and machinery, but controlling the output of a number of large manufacturing concerns in different lines, and thus making the business the most important of its kind in the Dominion, and embracing the supplying of complete equipments of power, machinery and supplies for all the important lines of industry now carried on in the Dominion, with but very little exception, such as railway shops, machine shops, planing mills, box factories, furniture factories, veneer mills, elevators, hoop mills, grist mills, saw mills, shingle mills, waterworks, contractors' plants, etc., etc. The premises occupied comprise a spacious two-story brick building fronting on Esplanade, near the Union Station, the property running through to Front street. The front part of the building, on the Esplanade, being used as offices, salesrooms and warehouse, and the back part of the premises as machine shop, boiler shop, etc. The shops are fully supplied with the latest modern tools and machinery, and about fifty skilled workmen are employed. Mr. Williams' large trade in machinery enables him to furnish new machinery and supplies at the very lowest manufacturers' prices, while he is always ready to take in exchange any machinery offered him by a customer. All second-hand machinery is carefully refitted and tested before being sent out, and is fully guaranteed. The business extends throughout all sections of the Dominion, from Vancouver Island in the west to Nova Scotia and Newfoundland in the east. Resident salesmen give their whole attention to the business in every province of the Dominion. He has also a branch warehouse in Montreal where a full line of machinery and supplies are kept and in connection with which he is obtaining a large trade, this branch being managed by F. C. Wilson, who had a long experience with Mr. Williams at the head office. One of the features of the business from year to year has been an important exhibit of machine tools, wood-working machinery, wood-yard machinery, etc., at the "Industrial" Exhibition, Toronto; the "Western," at London; the "Dominion," at Montreal, and the "Intercolonial," at St. John, N.B., and he now has an important exhibit of iron and wood-working machinery at the "Columbian Exposition" at Chicago.

## The STANDARD FUEL CO. of Toronto, Ltd.

Formerly The C. J. Smith Co.

IMPORTERS OF ALL RAIL COAL



WM. MCKENZIE, PRES.  
NOEL MARSHALL, V. PRES. & GEN. MANAGER.  
A. J. SINCLAIR, SECY & TREAS.

GENERAL OFFICE, 58 KING ST. EAST.

TELE. 888-1836

By reason of her unsurpassed railway facilities, Toronto has become a leading and important distributing centre for the coal and wood trade throughout this portion of Canada. Among the most noted in this line of trade for energy, reliability and progress, is that of The Standard Fuel Company (Ltd.), importers of the best grades of anthracite and bituminous coal, and cutters and shippers of cord wood, whose general office is located at 58 King street east. The business was established in 1889 under the style of The C. J. Smith Co., the business becoming incorporated under the present style, with ample capital, some years later. The officers of the Company are Messrs. Wm. McKenzie, President, Noel Marshall, Vice President and General Manager, and A. J. Sinclair, Secretary and Treasurer. The Company are among the most extensive shippers in Canada of coal direct from the mines in Pennsylvania and Ohio, and employ over one thousand bushmen throughout Canada in cutting cord wood, shipping usually upwards of seventy-five thousand cords by the C.P.R., and also the Midland system of the Grand Trunk Railroad. The Company's extensive coal yards are located on Cherry and Mill streets, King street and Spadina avenue, and their wood yards at the foot of Berkeley street and Greenwood avenue. They have lately built a trestle costing \$15,000, thereby increasing their facilities so as to nearly double their capacity. Some idea of the extent of the business may be had, when we state that the annual sales of the Company amount to over \$1,000,000, making this one of the largest, if not the largest, concerns in its line in Canada. They employ at their city yards upwards of seventy-five men, and a large number of teams. The business is largely wholesale, the Company shipping coal and wood in car lots to the trade throughout Ontario and Quebec. The officers of the Company are all natives of Canada, and widely and favorably known throughout the leading business and financial circles of Canada.

## TORONTO TYPE FOUNDRY CO.

(LIMITED).

44 Bay Street



TORONTO

The business of this company was first established in 1887 by Mr. J. T. Johnston as the Toronto Type Foundry and is the largest of its kind in Canada. In 1892 the business was converted into a joint stock company, under the name of The Toronto Type Foundry Co. (Limited). The premises occupied consists of a five-story brick building, with handsome front, and covers an area of 30x100 feet. The basement is the machine shop; the ground floor, offices and ware-rooms, while the foundry is on the top floor; the intermediate floors being occupied by a complete stock of every description of printers' goods. The premises are neatly kept, and order and method are observed throughout the entire establishment. They here employ fifty skilled hands, and every modern mechanical appliance, adapted to the manufacture of the highest grade of goods, is used. They deal in printing presses, paper cutters, electrical motors, folding machines, gas, steam and coal oil engines, type, type cases, ink, galleys, stones, rollers, composition, brass rule, etc. Their business, which is very large, extends to all parts of the country, and their local turn-over is very heavy. The members of the firm are—President, Walter E. H. Massey, Toronto; Managing Director, J. T. Johnston, original founder of the business; Manager of Winnipeg Branch, H. C. Stovel. That they are men largely endowed with the elements that inspire success, is more than amply attested by the eminent standing the house maintains, and the large measure of prosperity the firm now deservedly enjoys. Capital, \$150,000. Incorporated under charter from the Dominion Government.

## JOHN M. FRENCH & CO.

VARNISHES, COLORS, ETC.

OFFICE AND FACTORY:

Corner Jarvis and Esplanade.

Controllers of the McLeane Dipping Process.

A newly established and one of the most reliable firms in Toronto, actively engaged in the sale and manufacture of Paints, Varnishes, etc., is that of Messrs. John M. French & Co., whose office and factory are situated corner Jarvis St. and Esplanade. This business was established September, 1891, by Mr. John M. French, who is sole proprietor, on Pearl St. In December, 1892, Mr. French's premises were destroyed by fire, and in January, 1893, he removed to his present quarters. He occupies a spacious three-story building 50x100 feet in area, the first floor being used for offices and shipping department, the second for the mills, while the third floor is devoted to mixing, stock and dry materials. Here he keeps a heavy and choice stock of paints, oils, etc., and is the manufacturer of the Dolphin Brand Varnishes, Colors and Paste Paints. A speciality is made of Dipping Paints, Varnishes and appliances, also Enamel Paints of all kinds for interior decorations. Mr. French is the largest manufacturer of paints and varnishes in Toronto, and his trade, which is strictly wholesale, extends throughout the entire Dominion: His goods are unrivalled for quality and uniform excellence and have no superiors in Canada. Orders are promptly filled at the lowest possible prices, and several travelling salesmen are employed. Mr. French was born in Kingston, Ont. He is widely known for his strict integrity, and is a thoroughly practical paint and varnish manufacturer; fully acquainted with the requirements of dealers and painters. Mr. French imports direct from the most celebrated European houses, and is a popular member of the Toronto Board of Trade and Corn Exchange. The Telephone call of the office is 1446, and the Cable address "French," Toronto.

BRANCH OFFICE:  
**JOHN LECKIE,**  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

\* Fishermen's Depot, \*  
Telephone 1547. 9 Church Street.

This is the largest and most noted fishermen's depot in Ontario, centrally located at 9 Church street, Toronto. It was established 32 years ago by Mr. John Leckie, who is sole proprietor and manager. He manufactures sails of every description, also flags, tents, horse and wagon covers, etc., while he also carries a heavy and choice stock of ship chandlery and fishermen's supplies. The premises occupied comprise a spacious four-story brick building, 30x100 feet in area, the first floor being utilized for offices and packing rooms, the second for hardware, nettings, flags and cotton lines, the third for cotton ropes, Russian bolt ropes, oiled clothing and cotton ducks, while the fourth floor is devoted to factory purposes. The chief trade of this widely known house is with the West and North-West, and Mr. Leckie also has a branch at Vancouver, B. C. This is the only factory of the kind in Toronto, and the machinery is driven by electric power, and twelve skilled operators are constantly employed. The stock includes the finest and best fishing nets, twines, cordage, waterproof goods, flags, bunting, hardware, and cotton duck, which are offered to customers at the lowest possible prices. He also carries a large stock of fishing nets of all kinds, besides taking import orders for same, being agent for W. & J. Knox, of Kilbirnie, Scotland, the most reliable makers in the world. A large stock of cotton netting in the web, of various widths, is kept on hand. Orders by mail or telegraph are immediately filled, and all goods are fully warranted to be exactly as represented. Mr. Leckie was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to Toronto when only 16 years old. He is a liberal, honorable and progressive business man, whose success in this useful industry is as substantial as it is well deserved.

**Miss Emma E. Steward,**

STATIONER  
\* and \*  
NEWSDEALER

291 YONGE STREET.

One of the best conducted and most liberally patronized establishments of its kind on Yonge street is that of Miss Emma E. Steward, successor to J. Fletcher, dealer in stationery, school supplies, etc., at 291 on that street. The business was established fifteen years ago by Mr. Fletcher with whom Miss Steward was for a long time employed, and since she succeeded him has met with a success as positive as it is pronounced. The store has dimensions of 25x75 feet, and is a model of neatness, all the surroundings being in keeping with the character of the business. Everything in the line of plain and fancy stationery and school supplies is to be obtained here, including exercise and scribbling books, leather and fancy goods, also Bibles, prayer and hymn books of all kinds. The stock has been selected with unusual care, and as popular prices prevail about the establishment, there is always a scene of busy activity. Orders for magazines and periodicals are received and promptly filled, and every care and attention paid to patrons.

ESTABLISHED 1871

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**JAMES LUMSDEN,**  
**Baker and Confectioner**  
**FRUIT, GROCERIES, ETC.**

CORNER QUEEN AND ONTARIO STREETS.

An old-established and deservedly popular house is that of Mr. James Lumsden, the baker, confectioner, and caterer, which is very conveniently located at the corner of Queen and Ontario streets. Its inception dates back to 1871, when it was founded by the present proprietor, who has since built up a very large, high-class, and permanent trade. Mr. Lumsden is a gentleman of long, practical experience in the business, and is thoroughly familiar with its every feature and detail, and conversant with the requirements of his patrons. The premises utilized by him are of ample dimensions, and possess all conveniences for facilitating the prosecution of the business. The store is very handsomely fitted up, presenting a most inviting appearance. It is 20x60 feet in dimensions, and is well stocked with the choicest imported and fancy groceries, such as sauces, relishes and condiments; jams, jellies, preserves, and other table delicacies; foreign and native fruits; pure candies, sweetmeats and confections; fine baked goods, cakes, pies, bread, rolls, buns, crackers, all of which are made on the premises from the best and purest ingredients. Charlotte Russe is made to order on short notice, and a specialty is made of catering for lodges, churches, picnics, weddings, balls, etc., etc. Orders receive immediate attention, and while prices are very moderate, entire satisfaction is guaranteed in every instance. Mr. Lumsden is a native Canadian, and one of our most popular and successful business men.

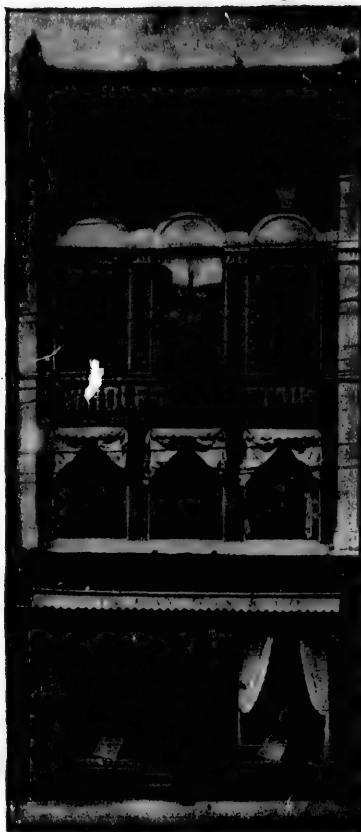
# JOHN KAY, SON & CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

*Carpets, Oil Cloths, Linoleums,  
Curtains, Draperies, etc.*

34 KING STREET WEST.

Handsome carpets, rugs, and other floor coverings are regarded properly in these modern times as but parts of a harmonious whole in considering the various articles which constitute household furnishings and interior decorations. The products of the carpet looms of to-day are works of art, and these now almost indispensable articles for covering our floors are no longer confined to the homes of the wealthy, as the economy of steam production has placed them within the reach of all who are provident. In this connection we desire to refer to the old established and reliable Toronto house of Messrs. John Kay, Son & Co., wholesale and retail dealers in carpets, rugs, oil cloths, linoleums, curtains, draperies, etc., whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 34 King street west. This extensive and prosperous business was founded in 1847 by Mr. John Kay, who eventually admitted his son, Mr. John B. Kay, and his son-in-law, Mr. C. F. Gordon, into partnership, the firm being known as John Kay, Son & Co. Mr. John Kay, the founder, died in December, 1891, after an honorable and successful career, and was succeeded by his son, Mr. John B. Kay and Mr. C. F. Gordon, who are still conducting the business under the old firm name. The premises occupied comprise a spacious first floor, 26 x 205 feet in area, and a second floor, 100 x 26 feet in dimensions. The first floor is devoted to offices, salesroom and shipping department, and the second floor to show-rooms. Here is kept always a heavy and choice stock of all the leading novelties in carpets, Axminsters, Wiltons, tapestries, velvet piles, double-faced Brussels, art squares, rugs, mats, curtains, draperies, oil cloths, etc. These goods are imported direct from the most noted British, French, German, Swiss and American houses, and are unrivalled in the city for variety, quality, elegance and price. The firm employ twenty-six clerks, assistants, etc., and thirty hands in the factory. Orders are carefully filled at lowest figures and the trade of the house now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Mr. Kay is a Canadian, he is a merchant of recognized ability and integrity, and is always on the alert to secure the latest novelties wherever manufactured.



# MRS. R. S. GALLAGHER

*Foreign and Domestic Fruits  
Fish and Game . . . .*

- - - 111 & 113 King Street East.

One of the most enterprising among the active business women in Toronto is Mrs. R. S. Gallagher, who, since 1880, has conducted a large trade, dealing in foreign and domestic fruits, fish, game and oysters. A four-story building, 30 feet front and 120 feet deep, is occupied at 111-113 King St. E., and every facility and convenience is provided for the preservation of the stock at all seasons, and the filling of orders. The ground floor is the general salesroom and is kept scrupulously neat and clean, and presents a handsome, attractive appearance. The trade is both wholesale and retail in character, and comes from the leading dealers, hotels, restaurants and private families. Nine clerks are kept constantly employed, and five delivery wagons are in constant service. The finest and choicest tronical, California and Florida fruits, also the products of our own farms, gardens and orchards are kept in stock, and all kinds deep sea, lake and river fish, large and small game, when in season, and prime oysters the year round. Popular prices prevail and the business is active and brisk. Supplies are received from the best sources, and everything sold is of a superior quality. Mrs. Gallagher has been an active business woman for many years, and inaugurated her present enterprise in 1880. A specialty is made of bananas in car-load lots.

**G. W. COOLEY,**  
IMPORTER OF  
**WINES, LIQUORS, ETC.**  
567 YONGE STREET.

As fine quality, high grade foreign wines and liquors can be obtained in Toronto as in any city on the American continent. A leading representative importer and wine merchant in the city is Mr. G. W. Cooley, who has been established in business for a period of twenty-two years, and occupies an attractive store at 567 Yonge street. Mr. Cooley imports direct and keeps in stock the finest and choicest wines from the best producing districts in Europe, including champagnes, Moselle, Burgundy, clarets, ports, sherries, Maderias, Rhenish, tokay, etc., also cordials and liquors; French brandies, Holland gin, Jamaica rum, Scotch and Irish whiskies, superior old American Bourbon and rye whiskies and native products. The trade is large and of the most substantial character, is steadily growing and increasing. Mr. Cooley also imports and deals in Havana, American and domestic cigars, and can always quote the very lowest market prices. He fully guarantees all his goods to be strictly as represented, and fills orders from families, hotels, restaurants and the trade, promptly and satisfactorily. Mr. Cooley is a native of Canada, and throughout his long and successful business career has always enjoyed the esteem and regard of all his many patrons.



**BUNTIN, REID & CO.**

✿ **WHOLESALE STATIONERS** ✿

*Paper, Envelope and Blank Book Manufacturers*

29 Wellington Street West.

Among the most reliable and prominent houses in Canada actively engaged in the manufacture of stationery, envelopes and blank books, is that of Messrs. Buntin, Reid & Co., whose salesrooms and offices in Toronto are situated at 29 Wellington street. This extensive business was established in 1856 by Messrs. Buntin Brothers, and their trade now extends throughout Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Manitoba and the North-West. The premises occupied comprise a substantial five-story and basement brick building, 60 x 125 feet in area. The first floor is utilized for offices, heavy flat papers, and shipping, the second for assorted stationery and fine papers, the third for card-boards, cover papers and blottings, the fourth for envelopes and paper, the fifth floor for manufacturing envelopes, and the basement for straw-boards, inks, etc. They are agents for Stephens' inks, and the envelope factory is under their direct supervision, and thirty skilled hands are employed. Their stock of stationery, blank books, paper, envelopes, etc., is one of the largest and best in the country, and their prices in all cases necessarily attract the attention of close and careful buyers. Orders by mail or telegraph are promptly filled and every effort made to satisfy customers. Mr. A. Buntin, the senior partner, died in March, 1893, and the business is now the property of Messrs. John Y. Reid and A. Buntin, Jr. The house of Messrs. Buntin, Reid & Co. is one of the most substantial in Toronto, and is highly regarded in the best commercial and financial circles of the city.



# JOHN CATTO & SON

## DRY GOODS,

No. 61 KING STREET EAST.

There are no commercial enterprises that add so greatly to the importance of the Queen City than the modern dry goods emporiums of the present day. Toronto is not behind any city in the Dominion in the possession of such enterprises, as may easily be discovered by a visit to the extensive establishment of Messrs. John Catto & Son, located on King street, opposite Post Office. This business was established in 1864, and during the long intervening period to the present has deservedly enjoyed a steady and even prosperity, till at the present time it stands well in the van of its contemporaries in this important branch of commercial activity. The premises occupied comprise one of the best fitted structures in Toronto devoted to a similar purpose and of the same dimensions. It is three stories in height, has a frontage and depth of 50 x 100 feet, is equipped with cash-carrier system, passenger elevator, and all modern improvements and is in any and every respect admirably adapted for the advantageous prosecution of the business. So far as the character and extent of the stock is concerned, it may be said to embrace a diversity simply impossible to describe. Household napery is a specialty with this firm, and the finest linen damasks and other linens are of a high-class character. Woollen dress goods and in silks and velvet fabrics, ladies' hosiery and underwear, linens, woollens, cotton and mixed articles of every texture and description, and, in short, everything conceivable that would properly be classed under these general headings will be found here. A specialty is made also of Scottish clan and family tartans, dress goods, shawls, plaids, travelling rugs and wrap shawls. All goods are purchased direct from manufacturers, and the principle upon which the business is conducted is in giving full value for money, and obtaining emolument rather in increased sales than in large individual profits. Mr. Catto was born in Scotland, and has been a highly respected resident of Toronto for the past thirty-nine years. He is ably assisted in the conduct of the extensive business of the house by his son, Mr. C. J. Catto, who is well and favorably known throughout Toronto.

# HEREWARD SPENCER & CO.

Tea Merchants,

63½ KING STREET WEST.

"The cup that cheers but does not inebriate."

"Thank Heaven for a cup of good tea!" sighs the average woman, and well she may, for where shall you find such a nerve soother, such a complete invigorator, or a better tonic for the sensitive nerves of womanhood than in the distilled leaves of India, Ceylon and the Islands of the Southern seas? The importer of tea is a national benefactor and his claim to our gratitude is cheerfully and readily acknowledged by modern womanhood. The sterner sex is beholden to him, though in a lesser degree, but its obligation increases as his claims become better known. It isn't every one who can make a cup of good tea. It requires a special aptitude and a certain degree of intelligence to serve this beverage of the Orient in a condition befitting its supreme importance; but the lesson has been learned at last and to-day there is no excuse for the serving up of the wishy-washy article of bygone years. Amongst those who have done much to educate our people up to a proper conception of what good tea is and how it shall be served is the firm of Hereward Spencer & Co., India and Ceylon tea merchants and importers, 63½ King street west, Toronto. This firm was established only a few years ago in our midst, but it has already won for itself a reputation that is more than local. From its inception, in 1890, it has been a distinct success, and everything points towards a still brighter future. They are sole importers of the famous Khangan's brand of Ceylon Tea, and of Cocoa. They have also a monopoly in Canada of their brand of Indian Teas. The customers of the firm receive their goods as they are received from the great tea gardens of the South, and there is no blending with inferior assortments, such as is too frequently the case with China and Japan teas. Their merchandise is the pure product of India and Ceylon, which have a reputation superior to all others in the market. Hereward Spencer & Co. have that best of all references—satisfied patrons—to whom they can always refer with the utmost confidence.

# H. A. STONE & CO.

## DRY GOODS \* AND \* MILLINERY

212 Yonge Street.

Ranking among the most prominent dry goods establishments of Toronto is that of Messrs. H. A. Stone & Co. This concern, which commenced business twelve years ago, is in possession of one of the largest trades of the kind in Ontario. Their finely appointed premises are commodious, being 80 x 21 feet in dimensions and occupying three flats. This firm import their goods direct and make a specialty of fine costumes and mantles to order. A large and excellent assortment of goods is at all times on hand, and the stock being bought in large quantities, with excellent judgment, enables them to offer their goods at a price against which few houses in this city can compete. A large number of hands are employed in the manufacturing departments, as well as clerks, between fifty and seventy being employed. A thoroughly competent and experienced *modiste* is at the head of each department and the products of this house have secured for it a wide and enviable reputation, the latest styles being followed, while the finish and general workmanship are unsurpassed. The house are extensive importers and dealers in fine dry goods, silks, dress goods, mantles and millinery, and its trade now extends throughout Ontario, British Columbia and the North-West Territories. The business was formerly located at 49 King street west, but owing to the rapid increase in business the firm were compelled to seek larger quarters, and accordingly removal was made seven years ago to the present fine building at 212 Yonge street. Mr. H. A. Stone was born in London, England, and has resided in Toronto for the past thirteen years. He is a most energetic and thorough man of business, whose career throughout has been marked by honorable and straightforward dealings.

# The Kormann Brewery

97 TO 105 DUCHESS STREET.

M. E. KORMANN, - - Proprietor.

JOSEPH KORMANN, - Manager.

In the production of lager and bock beer in the city of Toronto special reference is made in this mercantile review of the city to the popular and reliable Kormann Brewery, located at 97 to 105 Duchess street. This Brewery was originally opened by Mr. John Waltz on a small scale. He was succeeded by Reinhardt & Co., who conducted it till 1888, when Mr. Ignatius Kormann purchased the property and became sole proprietor. He made extensive improvements in the brewery, and died in 1891, after an honorable career. He was succeeded by his widow, Mrs. M. E. Kormann, who has appointed her son, Mr. Joseph Kormann, manager. The Brewery is a substantial four-story brick building, 40 x 100 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with modern appliances and machinery, operated by a thirty-horse-power steam engine. The capacity of the brewery is 25,000 barrels of lager beer yearly. The Kormann Brewery contains all the latest improvements—tanks, vats, boilers, pumps, kettles, etc., all bespeak the large capital invested and the perfection of the arrangements. Only the choicest malt and hops are utilized and these are handled in such a careful and scientific manner as to produce a lager beer which is unsurpassed for purity, quality, flavor and uniform excellence. The beer of the Kormann Brewery is preferred by hundreds to that of any other brand, and the demand for it is steadily increasing in Toronto and its vicinity. Twenty-five men are employed in the brewery, and the trade of it now extends throughout Ontario and Quebec. Mr. Joseph Kormann is highly regarded for his energy and probity, and is considered one of the ablest and most successful brewers in Toronto. The Telephone call of the office is 1102.

Dominion Land, Exchange, Loan and  
Investment Agency.

## J. T. CULVERWELL, REAL ESTATE BROKER

Valuator and Arbitrator,  
General Commission and Finance,

OFFICE—No. 36 TORONTO ST.

[ESTABLISHED 1873.]

Mr. J. T. Culverwell is among the foremost and most enterprising and deservedly successful of the many eminent gentlemen who devote their time and energies toward the material advancement of the best interests of Toronto. He established his present business in 1875, and has developed a business that has since that time grown to large proportions. His reputation as a valuator and arbitrator in real estate matters is such that investors make him a medium through whom they may place their money, giving him unlimited power as to when the investment shall be made. Few have achieved so general and widespread influence in real estate and financial circles. His offices are located at 36 Toronto street, of ample dimensions and handsomely fitted up. Mr. Culverwell transacts a general real estate business—buys, sells, exchanges and rents houses, and as a land and loan agent does a large business throughout Canada and various parts of the United States. He also handles mortgages, stocks, and all kinds of real and personal property, having unsurpassed facilities for negotiating loans on first-class security, at low rates of interest. He pays particular attention to the investment of capital in good paying securities, doing a general commission and finance business. He was born in England and came to Canada many years ago, and during his long residence in Toronto has become thoroughly identified with all that pertains to her growth and prosperity. For many years previous to engaging in the real estate interests he was in the milling, produce and commission business, and is now specially engaged in the broader field of investment and realty transactions.

## MATTHEWS BROS.

MANUFACTURERS OF

## MOULDINGS, FRAMES, ETC

AND DEALERS IN

## ART GOODS

No. 95 Yonge Street.

A comprehensive review of the growth and prosperity of Toronto would be incomplete without more than passing notice of those enterprises which are to-day the leading and representative ones in their special lines. Notable among such is the firm of Matthews Bros. & Co., manufacturers and wholesale dealers in mouldings, frames, mirrors, cornices, engravings, etchings, artotypes, chromos, paintings, etc. The business was established in 1861 by Mr. H. J. Matthews, and in 1868 his brother, Mr. W. L. Matthews, became his partner. The firm are large manufacturers and importers of fine mouldings, frames, mirrors, cornices, fine art goods, etc., importing direct from England, France, Germany and the United States, and carry in their immense stock all lines of the above mentioned goods from the cheapest to the most expensive. Their office and warerooms occupy a four-story building 25 x 50 feet in dimensions, on the ground floor of which are the elegantly appointed show rooms replete with the choicest productions of art and art materials. The third and fourth flats of this building are devoted to the workshops. There are also two factories in the rear of the main building each three stories in height and 30 x 80 and 30 x 50 feet respectively each in dimensions. Upwards of sixty are employed regularly in the various departments and every feature of the business is under the watchful and experienced eye of the proprietors. Both Mr. H. J. Matthews and his brother, Mr. W. L. Matthews, are natives of England and have resided in Toronto many years, where they are highly respected for their honorable and upright business methods. The warerooms located at 95 Yonge street contain the largest and most beautiful display of art goods, paintings, etchings, etc., to be found in the city, and the trade of the house is derived from the leading, wealthy and cultured classes of Toronto.

**SIDDALL & BAKER,**  
*Architects and Engineers,*  
The Janes Buildings.

With the increase of population, refinement and wealth in the principal centres of Canada, a growing demand has arisen for the blending of the artistic and beautiful with the utilitarian in modern architecture. The result has been extremely gratifying to the advocates of progress in this vitally important profession. Among those who have acquired a high reputation for superior skill and artistic conceptions as architects in Toronto, are Messrs. Siddall & Baker, whose offices and draughting rooms are situated in the Janes Buildings. Messrs. Knox & Elliot, several years ago, established this enterprise, and were succeeded in May, 1892, by Messrs. Knox, Elliott & Siddall. On the retirement of Messrs. Knox & Elliott, Messrs. J. Wilson Siddall and Frank Baker, A.R.I.B.A., succeeded to the control. The firm's offices are 40 x 40 feet in area, elegantly fitted up with every facility and convenience. Both Messrs. Siddall and Baker are able and talented architects, who have already secured a liberal and influential patronage. They attend faithfully to details, their plans are well digested and studied, and they employ several competent draughtsmen. Messrs. Siddall & Baker have lately planned and superintended the construction of the Janes Buildings, corner King and Yonge streets; Mr. T. G. Foster's Warehouse, King street east (owned by S. H. Janes); A. & S. Nordheimer's Music Store, King street east (Factory, Colborne street); and, in connection with the old firm of Messrs. Knox & Elliott, are now completing the Confederation Life Insurance Building, the finest structure in Toronto. They make a specialty of designing and erecting public buildings, and have successfully solved the complex problem of how to utilize the minimum of building area with the maximum of accommodation and architectural beauty of design. Messrs. Siddall & Baker always aim to secure to owners the best results within the limits of estimates, and their close adherence to specifications point them out as architects of high professional attainments. Mr. Siddall was born and educated in London, England, and came to Canada in 1891. Mr. Baker is a native of Barrie, Canada. He is an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and is the only Canadian who has won this honourable distinction by examination, though many first-class men have tried for it but failed. Mr. Siddall is a prominent Freemason, and also a popular member of the Sons of England.

**PARKER & CO.**  
Real Estate and Financial Brokers



MONEY TO LOAN  
ESTATES MANAGED  
VALUATORS & ARBITRATORS

Telephone 1001.

61 Victoria St.

Prominent among the leading real estate and financial brokers in this city is the widely and favorably known firm of Parker & Company, of No. 61 Victoria Street. The business was established in 1885 by the present co-partners, Messrs. Wm. Postlethwaite and Geo. Parker, under the present firm style. These gentlemen are known as able authorities in the present and prospective values of real estate. Their connections are of the most influential character, enabling them to place on their books properties of the choicest description, which are exclusively entrusted to them. They also undertake the entire management of estates and are noted, not only for securing responsible tenants, but also for keeping all properties under their charge up to the highest standard of productive efficiency. They are justly popular as negotiators in bonds and mortgages, owing to their honorable and liberal policy. The collection of rents is a specialty of theirs—in a word, anything appertaining to real estate, bonds or mortgages, that may be placed in their hands will receive the utmost attention and careful management. They also loan money in large or small amounts at low rates of interest. Mr. Wm. Postlethwaite is an Englishman by birth, while his partner, Mr. Geo. Parker, is a Canadian. Both gentlemen have gained for themselves an enviable reputation as conservative, progressive, active business men. They are assisted by an efficient staff of clerks, and their offices at 61 Victoria Street are handsomely fitted up and well adapted for the needs of the business. The Telephone call is 1001.

**Hamilton Powder Co.**

OFFICE:  
34 VICTORIA STREET.  
W. EMOND, - - Agent.

The representative and only concern of the kind in the Dominion of Canada is that known as the Hamilton Powder Company, whose office in Toronto is located at 34 Victoria St. The head office is situated in Montreal. The Toronto Branch was opened in 1889, and the trade, which is strictly wholesale, now extends throughout all sections of Canada. The Hamilton Powder Company also has mills at Windsor Mills, Que., Waverley, N.S., and Nanaimo, B.C. It manufactures largely Dualine dynamite, sporting, military and blasting powders, and is the Dominion Agent for blasting apparatus, safety fuse, etc. Only carefully selected and choice materials are utilized by the Company, and the dynamite and powders produced are absolutely unrivalled for strength, reliability and efficiency. Orders are filled promptly at the lowest possible prices, and the trade of the Company now extends throughout the entire Dominion. The Company's military, sporting and blasting powders are recognized by the trade as standard goods, and have no superiors in the United States or Europe. Mr. W. Emond, the Manager of the Toronto Branch, was born in Montreal. He is highly regarded in trade circles for his promptness and strict integrity, and is an active member of the K.O.T.M.

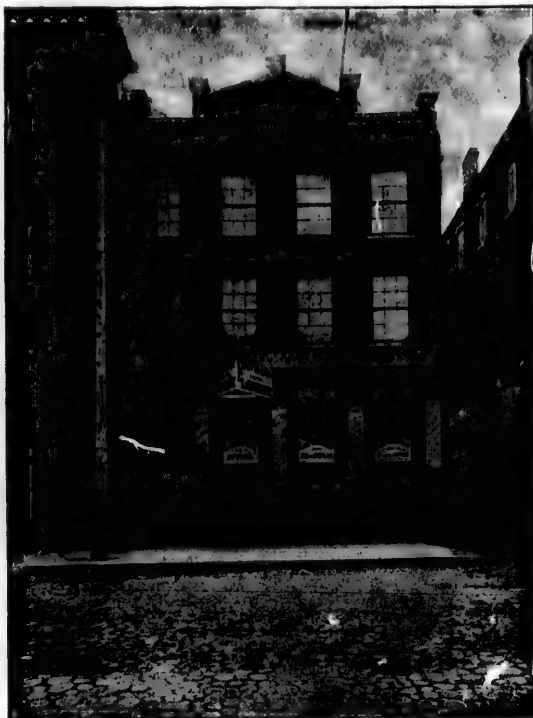
**R. WALKER & SONS,  
DEPARTMENTAL STORE  
DRY GOODS, ETC.,  
88 TO 43 KING STREET EAST**

The city of Toronto has long maintained a wide reputation for the superiority and magnitude of her leading mercantile establishments, such, for instance, as that of Messrs. R. Walker & Sons, Importers and Dealers in Dry Goods, Clothing, House Furnishings, etc., whose departmental store is centrally situated at Nos. 33 to 43 King street east. This extensive business was originally established in 1836 by Mr. Robt. Walker, who was succeeded in 1847 by Messrs. Walker & Hutchinson. In 1861, the firm of Messrs. R. Walker & Sons was organized, and the latest enlargement to the establishment was made in 1892. The partners import direct from the most celebrated British, French, German and Swiss manufacturers, and are always the first in Toronto to display the latest novelties and fabrics. The premises occupied comprise a superior four story and basement building, 107x200 feet in area, fronting on both King and Colborne streets. The establishment is fully equipped with modern appliances, cash railway, electric lights, elevators, steam heat, etc., and two hundred competent clerks, salesladies, assistants, etc., are employed. The basement is devoted to china, bric-a-brac, kitchen utensils, toys, games, athletic apparatus, etc., the ground floor to ready-made clothing, tailoring, hats, gents' furnishings, boots, valises and trunks, dress goods, silks, cottons and linens, laces, hosiery, gloves, umbrellas, books and stationery, while the first floor is utilized for mantles, waterproof garments, shawls, millinery, underwear, costumes, boots and slippers, etc., and the second floor for carpets, curtains, oil cloths, blankets, bed comforters, furniture, window blinds, poles, draperies, etc. Only really first class and desirable goods are handled in all departments, and the stock is valued at about \$350,000. Mail orders receive immediate attention, and the prices quoted for all goods cannot be duplicated elsewhere. The heavy business transacted here enables the firm to purchase largely, and secure the best prices that a cash order always commands. Messrs. R. Walker & Sons have had long experience and possess unsurpassed facilities and ample capital, enabling them to offer at all times substantial advantages to patrons. The partners are highly esteemed for their sterling integrity, and no house in Toronto treats its help better or more considerately than this one. In every respect the house of Messrs. R. Walker & Sons is one of the most noted mercantile establishments of Toronto, reflecting the utmost credit on its proprietors, and we predict for it a steadily increasing patronage.

**PARISIAN STEAM LAUNDRY,**

**Main Office and Works : 67 Adelaide Street West.**

**CHIERA & VIER, Proprietors.**



A widely known and reliable laundry, which has acquired an enviable reputation for superior work and just business methods is that known as the Parisian Steam Laundry, located at 67 Adelaide St. West, of which Messrs. Chiera & Vier are the popular and enterprising proprietors. The firm also has well-equipped laundries in London, Windsor, Detroit, Hamilton, Woodstock, St. Thomas, Chatham, Brantford, Guelph, Stratford, and Sarnia. The Toronto laundry was opened in 1891, and is under the able and careful management of Mr. J. A. Rolstin, who has since secured a liberal and influential patronage; the trade of this branch extending from Toronto to Ottawa and Hamilton. The premises utilized comprise a substantial three-story brick building 200x40 feet in dimensions, fully supplied with the latest improved steam washers, ironers, dryers and everything known for use in a modern laundry. All work is executed in a superior and prompt manner, and without injury to garments, lace curtains, fine shirts, skirts, collars and cuffs, embroidered articles, fine dresses, etc., are laundered in the most artistic and skilled manner, and the annoyance of having articles changed for those of others is most carefully guarded against, while the prices charged are extremely reasonable. Orders are called for, and goods are promptly returned to any part of Toronto or its suburbs. Messrs. Chiera & Vier employ in Detroit 150, in London 90, and Toronto 80 hands. They are widely known for their enterprise and integrity, and are very popular in business circles. The Telephone call of the Toronto office is 127. Mr. Rolstin is a Canadian by birth and has lived in Toronto the last four years. He is an enterprising young man and well known in social circles.

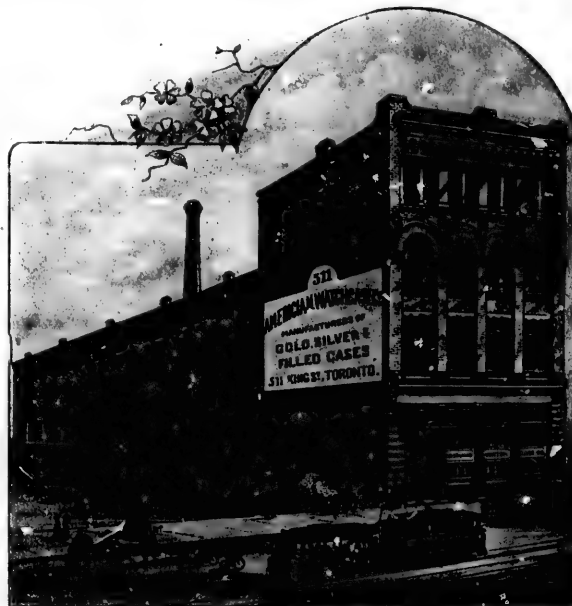
# THE AMERICAN WATCH CASE COMPANY

OF TORONTO,  
MANUFACTURERS OF

## FINE GOLD, SILVER AND FILLED WATCH CASES

509 TO 515 KING STREET WEST, TORONTO.

A representative and progressive concern that reflects the highest credit on Toronto is that known as The American Watch Case Company, manufacturers of fine Gold and Silver Cases, whose offices and factory are situated at 509 to 515 King street west. This important industry was established in 1885, on Adelaide street west, and in 1893 it was removed to its present location. The business has been incorporated with ample capital, and the executive officers are, Mr. John N. Lake, President; Mr. W. K. McNaught, Secretary-Treasurer; and Mr. R. J. Quigley, Manager. The premises occupied comprise a substantial four-story and basement brick building, 34 x 200 feet in dimensions. The basement is devoted to melting and refining gold and silver, the ground floor to offices and machine-shops, the first floor to turning, polishing, etc., while the second floor is utilized for the engraving department, and the third floor for plating. The various departments are fully equipped with the latest improved tools, machin-



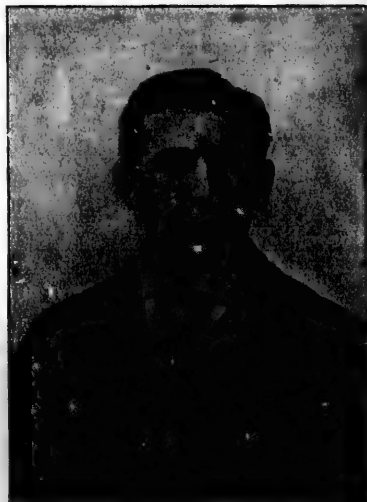
ery and appliances, and operated by electric motors, aggregating thirty-horse power. One hundred and twenty highly skilled workmen are employed. The gold, gold-filled and silver watch cases manufactured by the American Watch Case Company are unrivalled for finish, elegance of design and reliability, and have no superiors in the United States or Europe. These watch cases are recognized standards with the trade, and the demand for them is steadily increasing. Messrs. Lake and McNaught are Canadians, while Mr. Quigley was born in New York. They are widely known for their ability and strict integrity, and under their careful guidance the prospects of the American Watch Case Company are of the most encouraging and favorable character. The Company's trade is strictly wholesale, and extends throughout the entire Dominion of Canada. There are only two watch case companies in Canada, The American Watch Case Company being the largest and doing the lion's share of the business.

## CANADIAN HOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE.

**THE CANADIAN HOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE** SCHOOL for watchmakers is located at 133 King street east, opposite St. James' Cathedral. It was founded in 1890, and owes its success to Mr. H. R. Playtner, Principal and Manager since its inception, whose ambition is to build up in this city a school which shall be second to none in the world. It is the only one in Canada, and already takes first place on the American Continent for the comprehensiveness of its teachings, thoroughness of equipment, and methods upon which it is conducted. We present the interior view of one of the practical departments, which is a model workroom in every respect; the entire front of 25 feet is of plate glass, with the light from the north. Equipped with the finest machines, tools and appliances which skill can produce; furnished with electric power and light, heated by steam and kept scrupulously clean and neat, it presents a most interesting and attractive appearance. The students are a very intelligent class of young men and come from all parts of the Dominion

and the United States. Good discipline and order is maintained, and its system of education would be difficult to improve upon. Four and one-half hours per week are devoted to drafting the various actions of timepieces, three hours per week are devoted to lectures and mathematics. The lectures and drawing lesson are given in a room specially fitted up for the purpose, and is known as "the Theoretical Department." All the remaining time is devoted to practical work. Besides repairing watches, students construct watches and chronometers from the raw materials after designs and calculations made by themselves; such watches are owned by the

students when completed. Nothing of a makeshift character is tolerated; what is worth doing is worth doing well, being the motto. Diplomas are only awarded to students who pass their examinations successfully before a board of examiners chosen from representative men in the trade, which is a guarantee of reliability. Mr. Playtner is a native of Canada, and is known as a student who, although yet a young man, has through his own efforts brought to an accomplished fact what had been predicted to be an utter impossibility, which is evidence that real merit and perseverance have gone hand in hand in building up this worthy and successful institution.





# Niagara Navigation Co., Ltd.

**LEWISTON, QUEENSTON, NIAGARA, TORONTO.**

HON. FRANK SMITH, President.

JOHN FOY, Manager.



**54 King Street East.**

Without question Toronto is one of the most beautiful and interesting cities on the continent, and offers to the traveller and tourist many features of interest which can only be appreciated by being seen. During the summer season the most delightful and popular trips are those provided by the Niagara Navigation Company across the lake to Niagara and Queenston on the Canadian side, or Lewiston on the American side. The Company now own and operate three magnificent steamers, which are said to be the finest now running on the lakes. They are the Chicora, under command of Capt. Jas. Harbottle; the Cibola, in command of Capt. W. H. Soames; and the Chippewa, in command of Capt. John McGiffin. The Chicora is the oldest boat on the line and a side wheel steamer. Her commander, Capt. Harbottle, is well and favourably known to the travelling public, and has been on the lakes for many years, as a careful and efficient officer. The Cibola was the second boat put on the line and is one of the staunchest and fastest boats on the lakes. Her commander, Capt. Soames, has for many years sailed on the lakes, and is widely known among lake captains and the travelling public as a watchful and able steamboat captain. The Chippewa, which is a new vessel, was added to the fleet this season, and is expected to be the fastest vessel in her class on the lakes. She is beautifully fitted up and furnished with all modern improvements known to vessel craft of the present day. Her engines are of the very latest improved build and calculated according to her trial trip to make a fast record. She is provided with all the luxuries and conveniences of a modern first-class steamer, and in every way reflects the greatest credit on the enterprise of her owners. The Company run their boats across the lake to Niagara-on-the-Lake, Lewiston and Queenston, connecting with the Michigan Central R. R. at Niagara, the N. Y. Central R. R. at Lewiston and the Niagara Falls Park and River Electric Railway, giving passengers a novel and delightful trip direct to the Falls and passing all the noted points of interest. The hours of departure daily (Sundays excepted) are 7 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4.45 p.m. The President of the Company is the Hon. Frank Smith, and the Managing Director Mr. Jno. Foy, a gentleman very popular and highly respected in all circles.

# THE CANADIAN RUBBER COMPANY.



THIS is the Toronto Branch, 1 Front street east and 21 Yonge street, of the representative and old established Canadian Rubber Company of Montreal. This Company was organized thirty-five years ago, Mr. Andrew Allan being the President. Mr. J. O. Gravel, Secretary and Treasurer, and Mr. F. Scholes, Managing Director. Mr. J. J. McGill, Manager. The works at Montreal are among the largest of the kind in the world, embracing an immense five-story factory, having a frontage of 1,000 feet on two streets, and four other spacious buildings. The various departments are fully equipped with modern appliances, apparatus and machinery, and 1,000 skilled hands are employed. The Canadian Rubber Company manufactures extensively first quality rubber boots and shoes, superior quality rubber belting, including the Forsyth (Boston Belting Company) Seamless Rubber Belting, of which they are sole agents and manufacturers in Can-



ada. They also hold the patent and sole right to manufacture in Canada the Patent Process Seamless Tube Hose. All the Company's hose is made by this process, and they also turn out rubber packings, valves, gaskets, etc. In their Toronto Branch a full line of the Company's goods is always on hand, all quoted at exceedingly low prices. Mr. J. H. Walker, the Toronto agent, has had charge for the last eight years of this branch, and is widely and favourably known in trade circles.

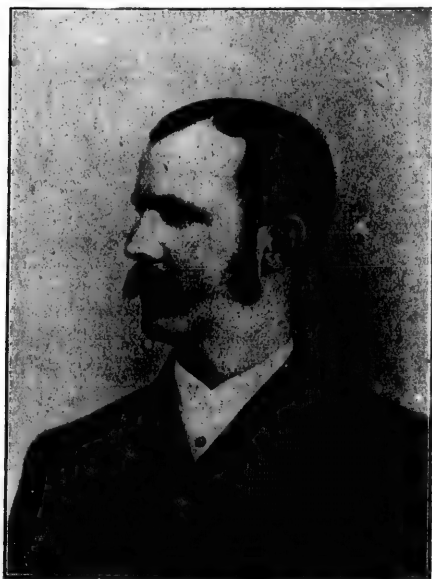
The Company's rubber goods are unrivalled for quality, durability and workmanship, and have no superiors in America or Europe. Orders are immediately filled, and the trade of the Company extends throughout all sections of Canada. Mr. Andrew Allan, the President, is of the Allan S.S. Company, and is one of Canada's public-spirited and influential citizens.

# ❁ THE CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ❁

W. H. SHAW and W. J. ELLIOTT, Principals and Proprietors.

**Forum Building, Corner Yonge and Gerrard Streets.**

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W. H. SHAW.

This institution is unquestionably one of the greatest colleges of business training that Canada has to-day.

The school is under the personal management of the principals and proprietors, Messrs. Shaw and Elliott, who by their long experience and earnest efforts have greatly elevated the standard of high grade business education in this country. They have gained the unreserved confidence and esteem of parents and guardians throughout the community, and have secured the cordial approval and endorsement of substantial business men.

The senior member of the firm, Mr. W. H. Shaw, is a teacher of eighteen years' experience. He was



W. J. ELLIOTT.

for four years first assistant commercial master in the Chatham Business College, and resigned his position to establish the Central Business College of Stratford, Ont.

For six years Mr. Shaw was Principal of this school, and during his able administration the institution soon acquired a national fame, and to-day is undoubtedly the leading college of its kind in Western Ontario.

The junior member of the firm, Mr. W. J. Elliott, is a teacher of fourteen years experience. He was formerly second assistant commercial master in the Chatham Business College, and for five years the first assistant in the Central Business College, Stratford.

On leaving Stratford he secured the position of principal and manager of the International Business College, Fort Wayne, Ind. Under his management this school soon became a large and successful institution, and was recognized throughout the State as one of the leading commercial colleges.

On returning to Canada he was admitted into partnership with Mr. Shaw, and together they founded the Central Business College in Toronto in September, 1892. Within one year it had an attendance equal to that of the oldest institution in the city, and to-day it is everywhere recognized as one of the largest commercial schools on the American continent. In point of merit it stands second to none.

This excellent college occupies an elegant suite of handsomely furnished rooms, twenty in number, and possesses facilities for imparting first-class business training that are not to be found in similar institutions in the Dominion.

The Principals are recognized as the



best business educators in Canada, and are well and favorably known throughout the United States as leaders in the line of business education.

They employ only experienced specialists for the Commercial, Shorthand, Penmanship, and English Departments of

the school. Messrs. Shaw and Elliott still own and control the Central Business College of Stratford, Ont. The local management of the school is in charge of the Principal, Mr. Phineas McIntosh, an experienced and successful instructor and a shrewd business man. He is ably assisted in his efforts by Mr. P. Bradshaw, principal of the Shorthand Department. An important feature in connection with these schools is the interchange of business practice which is extensively carried on between the students of the two colleges.

This system teaches business precisely as it is done in the business world, and these gentlemen are certainly to be congratulated upon their excellent and practical methods of business training.

The Toronto school has been made a residential one, so that in future all young men who attend from distant places are allowed to reside at the college and enjoy home comforts that they could not secure in ordinary boarding houses.

After a careful inspection of the many business colleges of Canada we unhesitatingly recommend the Central as being among the largest and best in this fair Dominion.

# C. F. ADAMS CO., HOME FURNISHERS,

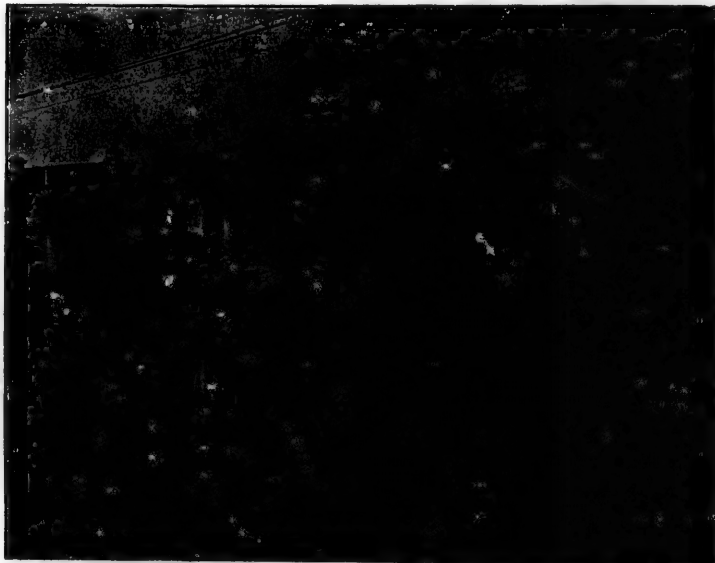
Nos. 175, 177 and 179 Yonge Street. - C. S. CORYELL, Manager.

FIFTY stores in fifty cities, with a paid-up capital of \$1,000,000 to run them, place the C. F. Adams Co. at the head of the list of companies organized to furnish the homes of the people. Founded in 1877, and incorporated under the laws of New Jersey, with Mr. C. F. Adams, President and General Manager; Mr. E. C. Quinn, Vice-President and Assistant General Manager; Mr. H. S. Thurston, Secretary; and Mr. P. D. Faulkner, Treasurer, the growth of this company has been so judiciously directed, that each new venture has added to its stability. With its headquarters in Erie, Pa., in 1881 its ramifications were extended to Toronto, and what was in that year the first promise of a Canadian branch is now the largest and most fruitful branch of the fifty. Occupying 175, 177 and 179 Yonge street, with two capacious warehouses in St. Enoch's Square, the premises are already inadequate to the volume of its business. Mr. C. S. Coryell, Manager of the Toronto branch, to whose energy, perseverance, business tact and sagacity its rapid development is due, has a happy knack of taking hold of every difficulty by the smooth handle. Rarely perturbed, always determined, affable, courteous and considerate, he stands prominently forth as a marked type of the successful business man, who, while exacting from every employee the fulfillment of his whole duty, never forfeits his good-will and respect. In carefully noting the trend of the business, the Manager has had an eye to the future. New departments have been open-

ed from time to time, and old ones made more comprehensive, and so to-day, as a result of intelligent management, seconded by the hearty co-operation of their assistants, the C. F. Adams Co. may justly claim for their Toronto branch the most complete house furnishing establishment in Canada. Contained and displayed in the buildings shown as the Toronto branch of

this institution, is a choice assortment in all grades of the following lines, divided into departments; parlor, bedroom, dining room, and kitchen furniture, carpets, oilcloths, window shades, lace, chenille, and tapestry curtains, table covers, Smyrna, Axminster and other rugs, mats, blankets, pillows, counterpanes and comforters, mattresses and springs, stoves, ranges, lamps

and gas fixtures, baby carriages, wringers, carpet sweepers, bronze and other ornaments, dinner, tea and toilet sets. The distinguishing feature of this Company's business is expressed in the mercantile motto of the Toronto stores, "Credit at Cash Prices." Although a large cash trade is done, the bulk of their business is done along these lines, and that not in the old rut of 100 per cent. profits and weekly instalments. Briefly described, their system is a genteel compromise between the sales effected by agents and the sales made on credit, as a favor, by any dealer. Credit without favors or extra charge is an appreciable innovation, readily taken advantage of by the well-to-do classes whose respectability is affronted by the old instalment system. Estimates are computed and submitted for furnishing houses throughout on terms that spread the total cost over a stated period, in the same manner that a house is bought, with this exception—no interest or extra charge whatever is made for the privilege of paying for the goods while they are being used. Intending customers should call on or address the C. F. Adams Co., home furnishers, 175, 177, 179 Yonge street, Toronto.



# MUTUAL RESERVE FUND LIFE ASSOCIATION

Assessment System—Mutual Principle.

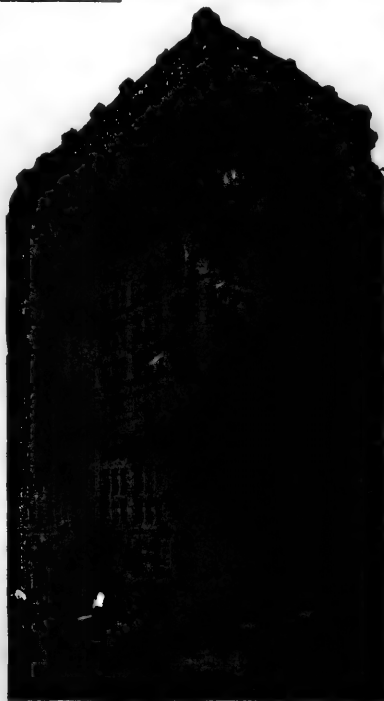
EDWARD B. HARPER, President.

THE life insurance system has been for many years a positive force in the progress of modern civilization and the accumulation of national wealth. It has long been



an important factor in the education of every community, influencing its people in habits of economy and prudence. The necessity of making provision for one's family in the

event of death, through the medium of life insurance, has become so obvious to all prudent men, that the only question to be determined is as to the best company to insure in. This question is successfully and satisfactorily answered by the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of New York, whose head office for Province of Ontario is in the Mail building, Toronto. This branch was opened in 1884, and is under the able and energetic management of Mr. W. J. McMurtry, who is widely known in business circles for his promptness and sterling probity. The Association carries on business in Canada under a charter from the Dominion Government, and already has over sixteen millions of insurance in force in Canada, and has paid out in death claims in the Dominion nearly \$700,000. This is the largest natural premium Life Association in the world, and provides perfect insurance at the lowest cost consistent with the greatest security. The Association's cash surplus emergency fund now amounts (Oct. 1893) to \$3,514,326.13, and the total death claims paid exceed \$17,000,000, while the insurance in force is over \$250,000,000. Hon. R. M. Wells, Warring Kennedy, Esq., William Wilson, Esq., and D. E. Cameron, Esq., are members of the Board of



Council and constitute the Canadian Board. The following gentlemen who are widely known for their executive ability, prudence and just methods are the officers, namely: Edward B. Harper, President; O. D. Baldwin, 1st Vice President; H. T. Reinmund, 2nd Vice President; J. D. Wells, 3rd Vice President; Fred. T. Braman, Secretary; Hon. J. W. Vrooman, Treasurer; F. A. Burnham, Counsel. The success of this Association has been phenomenal, and the pillars of its strength are a reserve fund, graded rates, selected risks, the Tontine system, an open ledger and a Trust Company to protect the Reserve Fund. For further particulars intending insurers are requested to call at the Association's offices in Toronto, or any of its agencies, where all details are cheerfully furnished. Mr. McMurtry, the Toronto manager, was born in Bowmanville, Ont. For fifteen years he was on the staff of the Ontario Bank, and six years was manager of the Port Perry branch, and has been twenty-two years an Odd Fellow. He is likewise a Knight of Honor and a member of the K. O. T. M. and I. O. of Foresters, and a gentleman highly respected by all who know him for his honorable business methods and courteous manner.

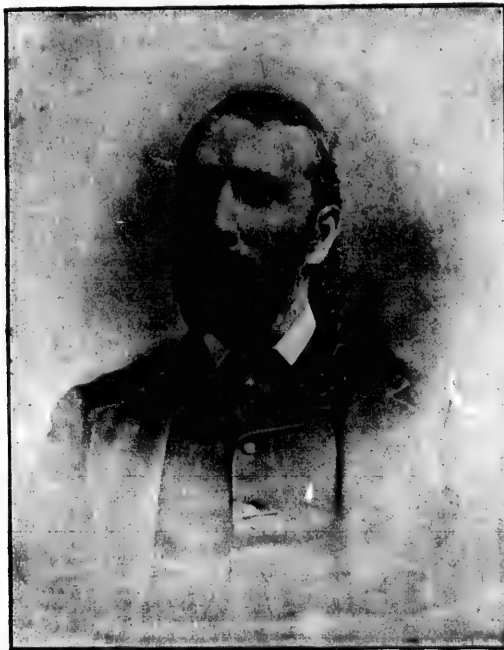
MUTUAL RESERVE BUILDING,  
BROADWAY AND DUANE STREETS, NEW YORK.



# The London Guarantee and Accident Company, Limited.

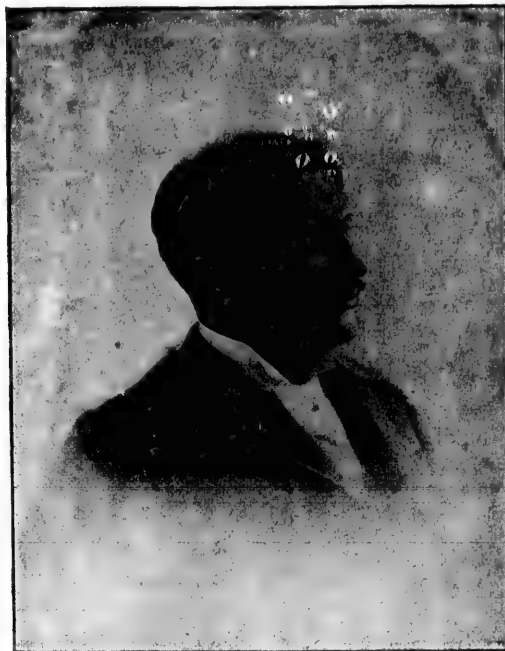
*A. T. McCORD, formerly Manager, and C. D. RICHARDSON, Chief Agent*

✧ \* Corner Yonge and King Streets.



A. T. McCORD.

Disease, accident and death are conditions incident to this stage of existence that are certain to come to us all sooner or later. Against the consequences which would in the natural course ensue to our dependents from our being overtaken by prostrating disease, disabling accident or death, various fraternal societies or corporations offer protection more or less ample and effective. It is therefore the plain duty of every respectable man of good habits, while in the enjoyment of his faculties, health and strength, to avail himself thereof and throw around his loved ones such safeguards as will secure them from the temptations of want in the day when he shall lie broken and helpless upon a bed of suffering, maimed past mending, or under the sod. \* Of all the plans that have ever come to our notice for relieving the woes arising from disease and accident—from which none are exempt—we believe that of the London Guarantee and Accident Company is the most perfect and presents the best claims to the consideration of thinking men and women, combining as it does the most commendable features with the greatest certainty of results. As to its responsibility and honorable conduct it offers the strong proof afforded by a



C. D. RICHARDSON.

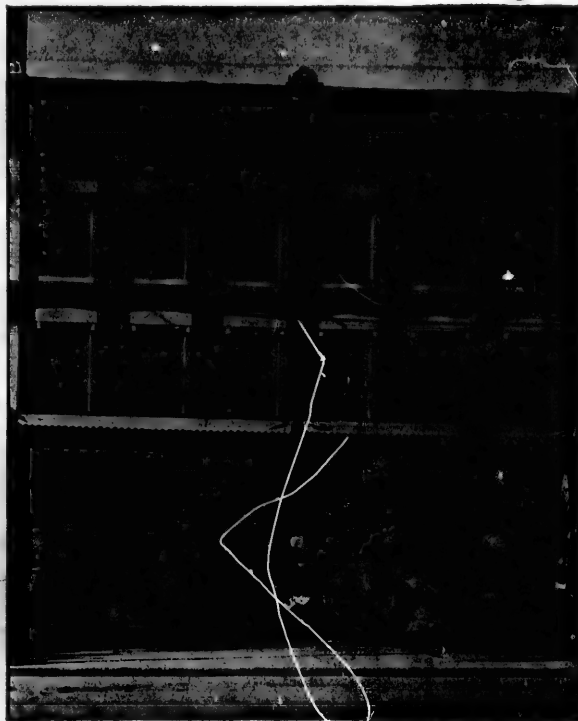
## JAMES EATON &amp; CO.

NO branch of the retail trade of Toronto has been conducted with greater vigor and discretion than that of dry goods. Prominent among the reliable and progressive houses actively engaged in this important trade is that of Messrs. James Eaton & Co., importing retailers

of dry goods and notions, whose salesrooms are situated at 85 Yonge street. This business was originally established in 1885 as a clothing store, but in 1887 Messrs. James Eaton & Co. added dry and fancy goods to their trade. The copartners, Messrs. James and John W. Eaton, are thoroughly experienced and enterprising business men, who possess an accurate knowledge of

every detail of the dry goods trade and of the requirements of the most exacting patrons. The premises occupied comprise a spacious three-story and basement building, 50 x 100 feet in dimensions, fitted up with every convenience. The first floor is devoted to dry and fancy goods; the second, to underwear, millinery, mantles, etc.; while the third floor is used for stock rooms. The stock is comprehensive, embracing the newest shades and patterns of silks, satins, dress fabrics; also linens, woollens, ladies' and gents' furnishing goods, laces, embroideries, notions, fancy goods, etc. Only desirable and first-class goods are handled, and they are always on the alert to secure the latest novelties. They import direct from the most celebrated European houses and quote prices that defy competition, and carry a line of goods that has no superior in the city. Seventy-five clerks, salesladies, assistants, etc., are employed, and every effort is made to fully satisfy every customer, on the sound doctrine of giving a good dollar's worth for a dollar. The attendance upon customers is prompt, polite and intelligent, and the trade of the house extends throughout Toronto and its vicinity. Mr. James Eaton was born in Ireland, while his son, Mr. John W. Eaton, is a native of London, Ontario. They are influential, liberal and honorable merchants, who are highly regarded by all classes of the community, and under their able and energetic management the business is bound to increase at a greater ratio than it has in the past,

record of years of reliable dealing, during which it has paid to its policy-holders no less than \$1,500,000.00, and has held the confidence of the insuring public by the irreproachable equity of its business course. Their policies are clear and explicit, and there has not been a single instance that a policy has not been paid upon proof of the validity of same. Their business is rapidly increasing each year, and particularly so in Canada, thus proving that the public appreciate their prompt and reliable business methods, and know that in this company they will get what they pay for, namely, a money return in case of disease, accident or death, and that promptly, thus relieving the insured of the additional worry of how they will get money to meet the wants of the family in times of misfortune. The wisdom of its management is evidenced by its wonderful prosperity. On the 31st day of December, 1892, the net income from premiums, as already intimated, after the deduction of reinsurance, was upwards of a quarter of a million dollars; the reserve fund amounted to \$425,000.00, and the total investments of the company all in good securities was over \$950,000.00. For the past thirteen years this corporation has had representation in Canada, primarily under the able management of Mr. A. T. McCord, who, subsequently, through ill health, ceded the appointment to Mr. C. D. Richardson, who for years filled the duties of assistant manager. Mr. Richardson is a native of Millbrook, County Durham, and has had a long and practical experience both in fraternal and regular insurance as inspector of agencies. Some criterion may be formed of the onerous character of his duties when the statement is made that some four hundred sub-agents are employed in the Canadian branch of the company—its business connections ramifying from Nova Scotia to British Columbia. Under Mr. Richardson's efficient supervision the business of the company has by no means deteriorated from that high standard of annual volume and value to which Mr. McCord's regime reached, and the London Guarantee and Accident Company may well congratulate themselves on securing the services of so able a representative. The home offices of the organization are located at No. 61 Moorgate street, London, England, the Toronto branch having an eligible suite of offices situate in the James Building, corner of Yonge and King streets. The company also have representation in the United States, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. The subscribed capital of the company is rated at \$150,000, \$75,000 of which is already paid in. It can thus be seen that this company has ample capital and facilities to handle a large volume of trade. In the hands of Mr. Richardson their interests are ably looked after, and a large proportion of the business is chiefly due to his adaptability for the important office which he fills.

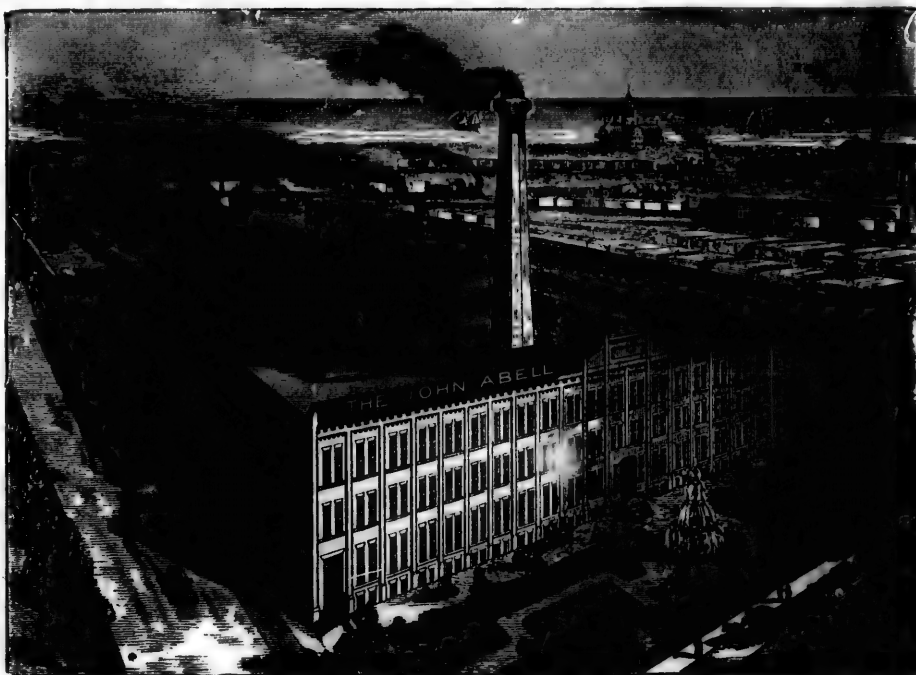


## JOHN ABELL.

THERE is no department of commercial activity to-day in this country that more fully illustrates the progressiveness of modern methods and the boundless enterprise of Canadian manufacturers than the production of agricultural implements and farm machinery. One of the oldest and best known houses in the Dominion, extensively engaged in this branch of industry, is that of John Abell, manufacturer of engines, boilers, threshers, clover hullers, roller mill outfits and furnishings, saw mills, steel plate pipe and portable and traction engines for agricultural uses, whose office and works are located at the corner of Queen and Abell streets. - Mr. Abell founded this business in 1845 in Woodbridge and in 1886 removed his plant, which is one of the largest and best equipped manufacturing establishments in Canada, to Toronto. The plant is very extensive, covering some four and a half acres of ground, and consisting of machine shop, foundry, boiler shop, woodworking, draughting, model and pattern shops, three story and basement buildings, equipped with the very latest improved machinery, including lathes, planers for large work, borers, etc., operated by a 200 horse power engine and two large boilers. Upwards of 150 skilled mechanics are given steady employment and the trade of the house, now grown to immense proportions, extends throughout the Dominion. The firm are large importers of machinery and supplies from the leading manufacturers in England and the United States,

and have local agents appointed in various sections throughout Canada. This firm constructed the boilers for the Massey Music Hall, Massey Mission Home, and

far towards demonstrating to the world that Canada, though small by the side of other nations, is keeping pace with the rapid march of improvement. On account of



the Parliament Buildings, furnishing for the latter a superb 50 horse-power engine and six large boilers. The firm had a very fine exhibit at the World's Fair which reflects the highest credit on this city, and goes

this exceptionally fine exhibit, we are informed, a large order for machinery was placed with the house from Smyrna, Asia Minor, which certainly speaks volumes for the push and enterprise of this typical Canadian house.

**JAMES A. SKINNER & CO.**

ONE of the largest and most progressive wholesale houses in the line of fine china, crockery, glassware, lamp goods, etc., not only in Toronto but in the whole Dominion, is undoubtedly that of Messrs. James A. Skinner & Co., of Nos. 34-36 Wellington street west. The foundation of this immense business was laid in 1850 in Hamilton. The rapid growth and increasing prosperity of the house prompted the proprietors to seek a larger field for their operations, so the business was consequently transferred, in 1892, to this city. The premises comprise the whole of an imposing brick and brown stone edifice, seven stories in height and 51 x 115 feet in dimensions. The packing, shipping and receiving departments are in the basement. On the first floor are the elegantly furnished offices and sample rooms, the latter also fully occupying the second floor. These sample rooms are lavishly and beautifully decorated and are full of magnificent samples. The five upper floors are given up to the immense and varied stock always carried. The partners bring to bear ripe experience and ample resources in the harmonious gathering together of such a bewildering, yet charmingly attractive display of all descriptions of plain and fancy crockery, fine china, glass ware and lamps. The stock embraces the products of the most celebrated makers, both in America and Europe.

In imported china this firm shows one of the largest and most serviceable variety in the Dominion, while they also display the rarest assortment of French, Bohemian and Belgian glass ware ever brought to

this city. The best home and foreign markets are regularly inspected and the latest and the freshest novelties and most desirable specialties are procured. The housewife, the hotel proprietor and the restaurateur can

here select from hundreds of sample sets of plain and heavy wares up to the thinnest ornamental French sets, resplendent in their delicate tints and artistic beauty. This is one of the most attractive business emporiums in the city, and it would be a heavy task to name all the useful and beautiful goods here exhibited. Fancy potteries, statuettes in Bisque, Limoges and Sèvres ware, baccarat glass and porcelain, hanging, hall, student, piano lamps, etc., are here to be found in vast profusion and variety. The wholesale trade of the house is heavy and influential, extending to all parts of the country among the best class of dealers. Mr. James A. Skinner, the founder of the firm, a Scotchman by birth, takes no active part in the business, leaving the full management to his son, Mr. R. B. Skinner. He is a Canadian by birth, a member of the Masonic order, and has most ably demonstrated himself a man of superior business ability by the management of the firm's far-reaching interests. The firm were the first to open a trade in the North-West and British Columbia away back in the sixties, and a branch of this business was established in Vancouver in 1891.



## TORONTO, THE QUEEN CITY OF CANADA, ILLUSTRATED.

**GOODERHAM & WORTS, LIMITED.**

**I**N the year 1832, two years before the incorporation of the city of Toronto, the firm of Gooderham and Worts was established, precisely on the same ground as is now occupied by their present extensive premises.

Amongst the users of stimulants on both sides of the Atlantic, the Gooderham & Worts Canadian rye whiskey is considered unequalled. This result is gained not merely by the thorough government inspection and supervision which exists in Canada alone, but it is more especially due to the great care and minute personal oversight that the Messrs. Gooderham themselves have of the whole establishment. By connoisseurs, over two hemispheres, their whiskey has been pronounced from time immemorial, the finest in the world.

At the World Exposition of Paris, in 1878, and of Antwerp in 1885, the gold medal was awarded to the G. & W. whiskeys, the grounds for the high distinction being its purity and its excellence.

The best judgment, however, in matters of this kind is the world-wide reputation of the firm. In Canada their name is a household word. In the United States their trade extends from Atlantic to Pacific. Large quantities are consumed in England, France, China and Japan.

Starting with a small beginning in 1832, operations were carried on in an extensive manner until 1859, when there were construct-

ed the present large stone buildings, which, with many additions, still constitute the mill and distillery proper. The main building was destroyed by fire October 26

1869, but was speedily rebuilt, and within five months, time was in operation on an increased scale.

An idea of the extent of the distillery is gained from the fact that to-day, with its enormous output, it is still worked only to about one-half of its capacity.

The task of adequately describing the magnificent magnitude of this colossal concern is one of great difficulty. Its extent is something abnormal. The best indication of its vastness is perhaps gained from the amount of the revenue tax which the company pays to the Government. It amounts to \$18,000 daily. The distillery uses about 800,000 bushels of grain every year.

Further, it is not the mere distillery proper that makes up the whole business. There is the huge cooperage, the malt houses, the extensive bottling rooms, and, last and largest, the vast cattle barns, where 4,000 head of cattle are fed every year. There are about 250 men employed on the premises from one year's end to the other.

The bottling of the company's Canadian Rye Whiskey has become a most important industry. It is only in comparatively recent years that the Government allowed the bottling to be done by distillers themselves, but having in view the public health and providing against the adulterated and injurious brands of liquor, both domestic and imported, that were being put upon the market, the Government decided



GOODERHAM BUILDING.  
CITY OFFICES OF GOODERHAM & WORTS, LIMITED.

that the distiller might bottle his own product in bond under the supervision of their officers, and for whiskey so put up, they would grant a certificate in the form of a Government stamp to be affixed over the cork of each bottle. This is the best protection that can possibly be afforded the consumer, and is the best assurance that the article he is using is genuine.



GENERAL VIEW OF GOODENHAM & WORTS (LIMITED), PLANT.

### METROPOLE HOTEL.

**T**HERE is nothing that adds so much to the prestige of a city as superior hotel accommodation, and in this respect Toronto occupies a prominent position in Ontario. In this connection, special reference is made in this Commercial Review of Toronto to the popular Metropole Hotel, centrally located corner King and York streets. This hotel was formerly known under another

name till 1883, when it was rebuilt, refitted, refurnished and re-opened under the title of the Metropole Hotel. It is a substantial four-story brick building, 125 x 75 feet in area, and contains ninety rooms available for guests. It is fully supplied with all modern improvements, electric bells and lights, steam heat etc., while its sanitary plumbing and methods of escape in case of fire are perfect. The ladies' and gentlemen's parlors are elegantly furnished, while the office

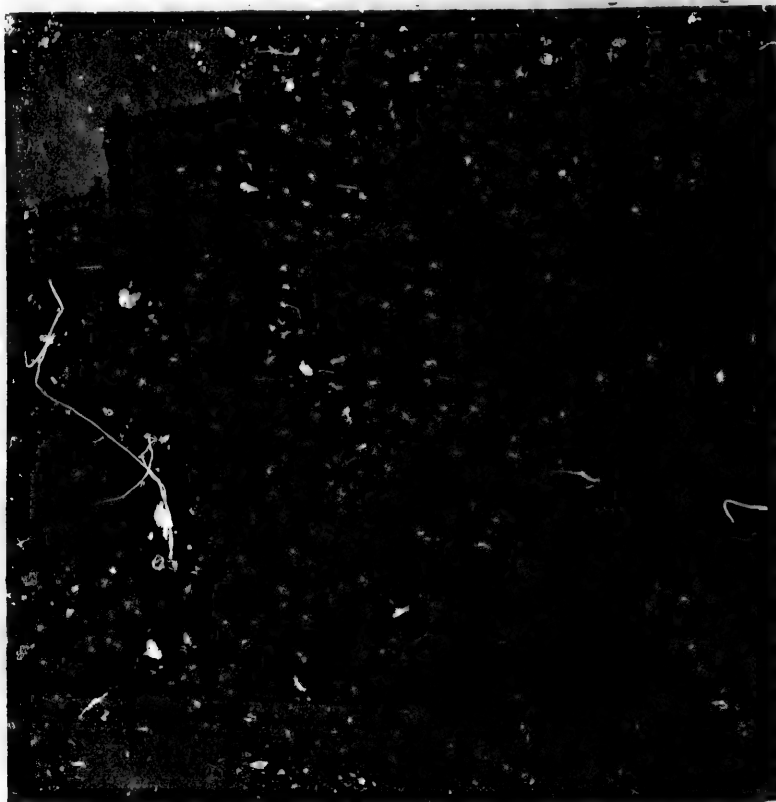
somely furnished, 50 x 15 feet in area, and is fully supplied with the choicest wines, liquors, ales, cigars, etc. Employment is given to several persons, and The Metropole is a model of neatness and cleanliness. Mr. Weiss has been a resident of Toronto for some time and was previously, up to the time of taking charge of this hotel, connected with the Tremont House, where he has made hosts of friends and made himself eminently popular, and thus has the advantage of being an experienced and competent



hotel proprietor. Mr. Weiss quotes special rates to the theatrical profession, and the Metropole is conveniently located in the centre of the city, close to the theatres and the chief business houses of Toronto, and only three blocks to the Union Station, and street cars from the latter place pass the door, and to all the principal business houses in the city. Under his able management the hotel is assured of success, and we predict an increasing patronage as the public learns of his having assumed the proprietorship.

is fitted up in an attractive style. The dining room comfortably seats 100 guests, and the attendance and service are all that can be desired. With all its advantages and comfort the rates vary from \$1 to \$1.50 per day. Mr. Peter Weiss, the proprietor, is noted for having at all times the best and choicest in the market on the table and plenty of it, while a distinguished chef and competent assistants are employed. The bar is hand-





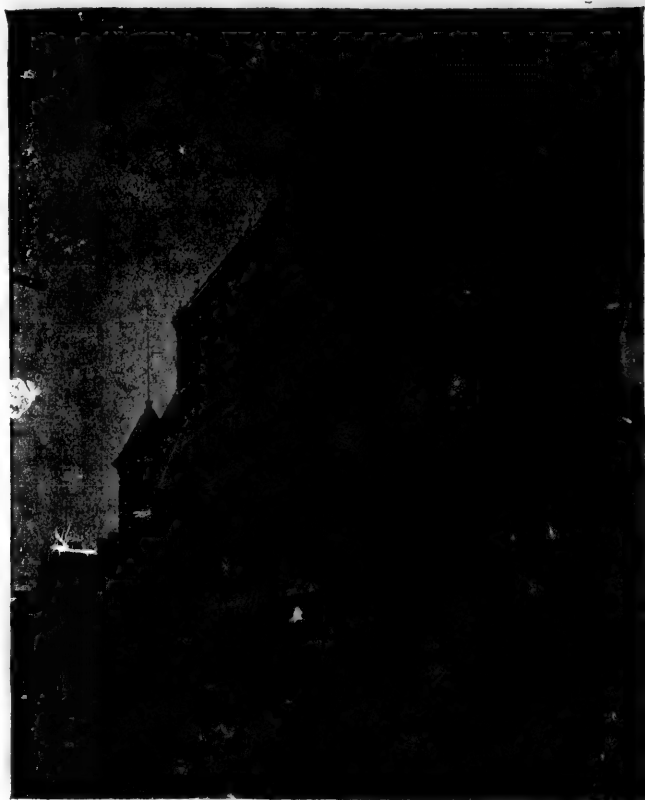
METHODIST BOOK AND PUBLISHING HOUSE (RICHMOND STREET FRONTAGE).

### METHODIST BOOK AND PUBLISHING HOUSE.

**W**HILE compiling a review of the commercial and manufacturing interests of Toronto, it is necessary to do justice to those establishments that have done much to elevate society by the dissemination of the products of the pen. In this connection we desire to make special reference in this commercial review to the old established and progressive Methodist Book and Publishing House, whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 29-33 Richmond Street West, and 30-36 Temperance Street. The existence of the Methodist Book and Publishing House, Toronto, is an index of the literary activity and literary appetite of Canadian Methodism. It was a very bold enterprise for the comparatively few and scattered Methodists in Canada, more than half a century ago, to establish a connexional press, and shortly after, a connexional book room. Both of these enterprises have been attended with remarkable success. From very small beginnings the publishing interests of the Church have grown to be a very large enterprise. This Book and Publishing House was established in 1829 by a committee appointed by the Canadian Methodist Conference, for the publication of "The Christian Guardian," of which the present extensive establishment is the outgrowth. The principal publications are, "The Christian Guardian," the oldest existing religious weekly in Ontario; "The Methodist Magazine," "Sunday School Banner," "Onward" (organ of the Epworth League), "Pleasant Hours," "Sunbeam," "Happy Days," together with other Sunday School periodicals, having a combined circulation averaging nearly 200,000 copies weekly. There are eight departments in this establishment, viz: Printing, Binding, Electrotyping and Stereotyping, Periodicals, Book Publishing, Subscription Books, Wholesale Book and Bible Department, and Retail Book and Bible Department. This is the largest Book and Publishing House in Canada. They are the sole publishers of the Methodist Hymn Book, and likewise of a large number of

sacred music books. A heavy business is now transacted in Bibles, the house being sole agents for the International and the Cambridge Bibles, in addition to handling the Oxford, Bagster, and other lines. A speciality is made of supplying Sunday Schools with books suitable for their libraries, etc. They have the joint agency for the Religious Tract Society and Thomas Nelson & Sons, the largest publishing houses in their lines in the world; also, Blackie & Sons, of Glasgow, and represent as well the famous firms of Oliphant; Anderson & Ferrier, of Edinburgh; Charles H. Kelly (Wesleyan Conference Office), London, England; and Hunt & Eaton, of New York. A large number of first-class school text books are published by the house, including Robertson & Birchard's Algebras, Robertson & Carruthers' Primary Latin Book, Birchard's Trigonometry, etc.; likewise, standard books on Hygiene, including the new Public School Physiology and Temperance, just issued. They are widely known as the Canadian publishers of the books of Annie S. Swan and Mrs. G. R. Alden ("Pansy"); they are also Canadian agents for the Chautauqua Library and Scientific Circle. This is the oldest Subscription Book House in the Dominion handling such books as the "Encyclopædia Britannica," "People's Encyclopædia," Talmage's "Manger to Throne," Stanley's "Heroes of the Dark Continent," Withrow's "History of Canada" and "Our Own Country," etc. One hundred and seventy persons are employed in this house, and its trade extends throughout all sections of the Dominion. During the last few years the sales of the house have averaged over \$400,000 per annum. The principal officers of the house are, William

Briggs, D.D., Book Steward; E. H. Dewart, D.D., Editor of "The Christian Guardian;" and W. H. Withrow, D.D., Editor of "The Methodist Magazine" and Sunday School periodicals. This establishment owes its success in a very large degree to the business enterprise and energy of the Rev. Dr. Briggs, who has been unanimously elected for the fourth time to his position of trust and confidence by the General Conference of the Methodist Church. He is a man of great executive ability. He maintains keen supervision of the various departments and has succeeded in greatly strengthening the commercial standing and general business of this extensive publishing house. The Methodist Book and Publishing House is a lasting source of credit to Toronto, and a monument to the ability, enterprise and industry of its officers and founders.

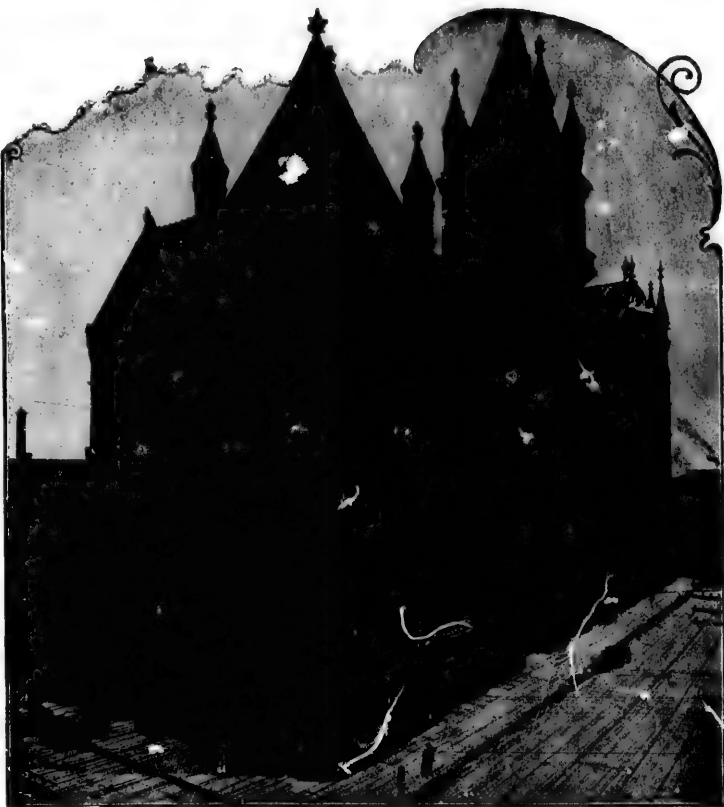


METHODIST BOOK AND PUBLISHING HOUSE (TEMPERANCE STREET FRONTAGE).

## THE YORK COUNTY LOAN AND SAVINGS CO.

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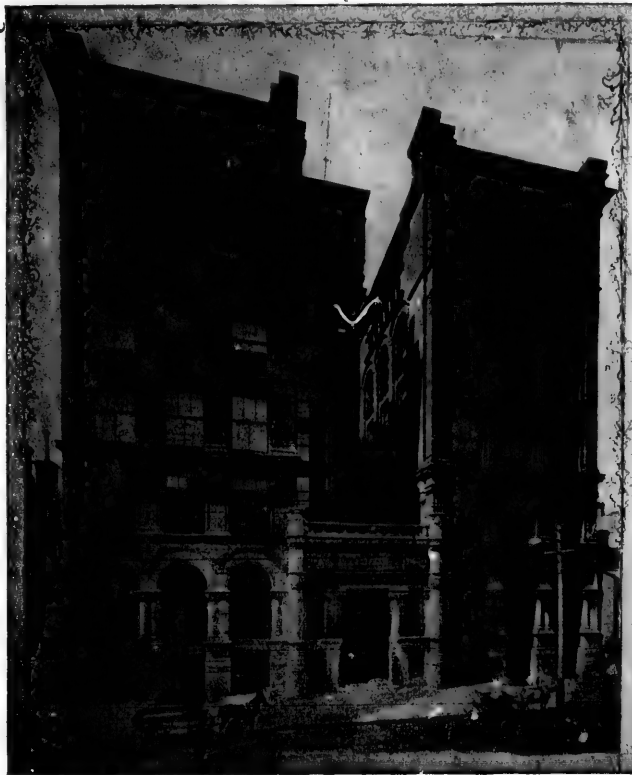
THE benefit derived from Savings and Loan Associations of the United States and Canada by workmen, clerks, etc., is almost incalculable. Through this medium many thousands of homes have been erected in all the large cities, and these are now owned by a class of citizens who have acquired them by the payment of small sums of money monthly into a good association for a short term of years. The sum so paid has not amounted to much more than the same person would have paid for rent, and the result is that the workman has his own home free and clear, being both a safeguard and provision for any season of adversity. One of the best Companies of this class organized in Canada is the York County Loan and Savings Co., whose head offices in Toronto are located at the corner of Yonge and Richmond streets, Confederation Life Building. This progressive and reliable Loan and Savings Company was incorporated in 1891, and its subscribed capital now amounts to \$300,000. It has agencies and branches in Hamilton, Ottawa, St. Catharines, Chatham, Galt, Guelph, Brantford, etc., and its chief executive officers are Mr. Joseph Phillips, President, Mr. Albert E. Nash, Secretary, and Mr. V. Robin, Treasurer. This Company loans money to members only, to purchase property or pay off mortgages, therefore any member requiring a loan can take out monthly shares by paying in advance one month's dues of \$1.00 per share, and make monthly payments at the Company's offices, and after having paid 6 months' dues he is entitled to make application for a loan. A shareholder cannot take less than one share or more than 100 shares. This company also issues weekly investment certificates at 25 cents per share, which mature in 102 months for \$200. We know of no better investment than this, as it enables persons to accumulate their small savings that would be otherwise squandered. The York County Loan and Savings Co. combines all the advantages of a first-class Loan Association and conservative Savings Bank, without the weakness or disadvantages of either, and for the investor or borrower offers a safe, convenient and popular means of securing the best and highest interest, or a home on the most liberal terms. Mr. Phillips, the President, is an able and careful financier, as widely known for his talents and prudence as for the honorable manner in which he protects the interests of members. He was born in England, and was previously Supervisor for the company in Toronto. He is ably assisted by Mr. Nash, the Secretary, and Mr. Robin, the Treasurer, who are eminently qualified for the important trusts reposed in them. For further details, those interested are requested to call on or write to the Secretary or to any of the Company's agents.



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## CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

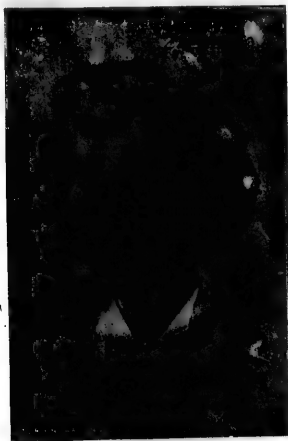


CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY'S BUILDING.

**L**IFE Insurance has found in Canada a fruitful field, and one that is due to the sturdiness and thrift of her population is one alike profitable to the policy-holder and the company, if conservatively conducted. In this respect but one Company is worthy of mention, and this is the largest, the oldest and the wealthiest in the Dominion—the popular old Canada Life Assurance Company, with head office in Hamilton, Ont. This Company was established in 1847, its organization marking the beginning of the history of Canadian Life Insurance. Its inception was due to patriotic as well as practical motives—to retain in the country the premiums as well as capital involved, instead of submitting to the yearly increasing drain across the Atlantic. The history of this Company has been one of unbroken success; able management has been the rule from the beginning. The most prominent business men of the country have made up its successive directorates, while it stands first in the volume of business, desirability of risks, extent of income. The Company has ever been conservative; in the words of its Vice-President, "Its management has always held the interest of policy-holders superior to the glory of dazzling figures and mere size. It has always refused to pay more for business than that business is worth," with the result that to-day it has accumulated assets of over \$13,000,000; with the splendid annual income of \$2,350,000. The Company's plans of Insurance are just, safe and liberal; its policies are clear, explicit business contracts, and are promptly paid at death or at maturity. Its last annual report is a most gratifying document; it shows assets of over \$13,077,000, solid lines of investments in the choicest of municipal and city debentures, bank stocks, and in call loans on stocks and policies. These are secure sources of income, apart from premiums, and during 1893 new business to the amount of \$6,201,011 was written under 2,582 policies, giving a new premium income of \$223,100. These figures are eloquent; they speak of solid progress. The Company now has 27,772 policies outstanding for the amount of \$59,382,937. During 1892, 307 policies were paid for the sum of \$771,726. In 1847 the Company had 144 policies in force and an income of \$9,097. In 1857 there were 1,638 policies and \$133,300 income. In 1867, 3,149 policies, with \$182,446 income. In 1877, 10,605 policies and \$701,213 income, and by the next decade it will likely have outstanding 35,000 policies and an income of upwards of \$4,000,000. It has just doubled its business in ten years, and more than quintupled it in 20 years. We desire to call the attention of the reader to the fact that this Company's expenses are kept at a minimum, and are constantly being reduced as business increases. The Company has invariably confined its operations to the temperate zone; it insures healthy lives throughout the Dominion, and has recently opened branches in Michigan and Minnesota, lying on the same parallels of latitude, and where there are thousands of Canadians who appreciate this old Home Company. The Presidents of the Canada Life have been as follows:—1847 to 1859, Mr. Baker; 1859 to 1873, John Young. In 1873 Mr. E. Cartwright Thomas was made President, and upon his decease Mr. A. G. Ramsay was elected, under whose able guidance the Company is growing at a rapid ratio. Mr. R. Hills is the Secretary, and Mr. W. T. Ramsay, the Superintendent, both able and experienced life insurance underwriters. The directorate is composed of strong, able men, successful in their own enterprises, and bringing a united experience to bear that is of the highest value to such a giant corporation as this. The Company has always found Toronto an excellent field for business, and here, in the Company's splendid new building on King street west, are the offices of the Eastern Ontario Branch, in charge of Messrs. Geo. A. and E. W. Cox, two deservedly popular business men, noted for sound judgment, untiring energy and sedulous devotion to the best interests alike of the Company and policy-holders. The building is a magnificent specimen of modern architecture, seven lofty stories in height, and its picturesque recessed front

## TORONTO, THE QUEEN CITY OF CANADA, ILLUSTRATED.

and ornate tower and facade marked a new era in Toronto's big edifices. All the modern improvements have been introduced here, and many accessories, such as special heat regulators, ventilators and mail chutes, are found here, not usually seen in such buildings. There are 100 fine light offices, let to the best class of tenants and bringing in a revenue to the Company of over \$30,000, thus showing the excellence of this investment. There are immense vaults in the basement specially built for the Company and for the Bank of Hamilton, one of its tenants. Visitors in the city are welcome to inspect this beautiful structure and enjoy the view from its lofty tower. The Messrs. Cox and their agents have written more new business here and in Eastern Ontario than any other company, and, in fact, more than most of them combined, and their care in the selection of risks insures to the Company a continuance of its remarkable record of growth and solid prosperity.



W. H. BARKER.

ONE of the finest jewelry establishments in this city, and one among those that lead in that line, is that of Mr. W. H. Barker, whose establishment is located

at No. 324 Queen street west. He is successor to Knox & Barker, who began the business as partners three years ago, and later on Mr. Barker became sole proprietor, Mr. Knox retiring. The store occupies an elegantly fitted up apartment on the ground floor, 23 x 15 feet in dimensions, and besides has a commodious rear apartment, wherein is carried on both manufacturing of watches and jewelry, and repairing. The workshop is abundantly supplied and equipped with all the small machinery, tools and devices for the rapid prosecution of the work done in both manufacturing and repairing. The location is an eligible and convenient one for conducting the business and trade. Mr. Barker is himself a thoroughly practical watchmaker and jeweler. He carries a stock of more than four thousand dollars in value, consisting in gold and silver watches, clocks, gold and silver trinkets, wedding rings of the handsomest patterns, keepsakes, silver ware, and a large and varied assortment of other valuable goods belonging to the trade. His clocks and watches are of both domestic and foreign make, many of high grade and absolutely correct timers. Prices range according to fineness and finish and kind of works. He can meet the wants of every one in design, price, etc., and has in the short time of three years built up a prosperous business, and now does a business of more than twelve thousand dollars a year. He makes repairing of railroad and fine watches a specialty, and calls for and delivers all repair work. In solid gold jewelry his stock includes sets and single articles, including a superior line of rings, ear-rings, pins, brooches, chains, and all the numerous articles which go to constitute a well-appointed jewelry establishment. The assistants employed by him are thoroughly skilled in the work and acquainted with the trade. We are pleased to note in this connection that this house has secured a large share of the best trade of Toronto, and has won it upon the only basis obtainable, and that is upon the merits of the goods kept in stock, and absolute fair dealing with a critical public. Knowing the demands and wants of his patrons and the public at large, he has met them in all respects. Mr. Barker is one of Toronto's steady and industrious citizens and business men, and enjoys the confidence and esteem of all who know him in a high degree. He was born in that busy mart of trade and commerce, Leeds, England, but has been an honored citizen of Toronto for the past ten years.

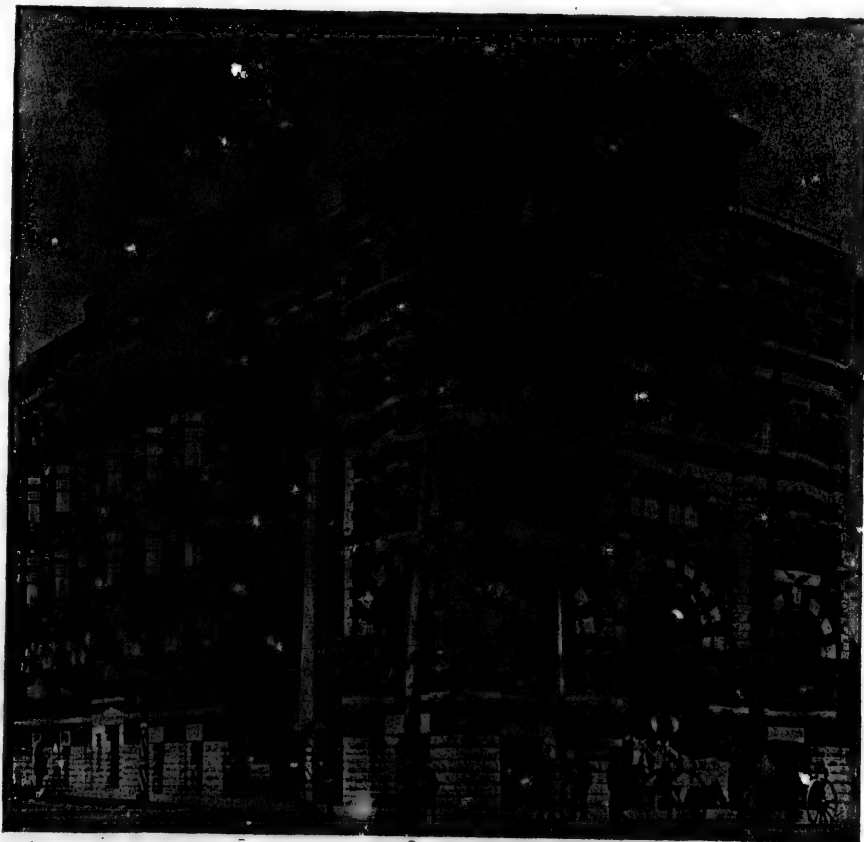
## NEW ST. JAMES HOTEL.

IMPROVEMENT is the order of the day, and Toronto is not behind other cities in this steady march of progress that is going on all over the world. The large annual travel through Toronto, both for business and pleasure, renders it a matter of direct interest to the public to secure reliable information as to the hotels of this great city, and in the New St. James Hotel we have the embodiment of all that is modern, home-like and luxuriant. The change from the old St. James to

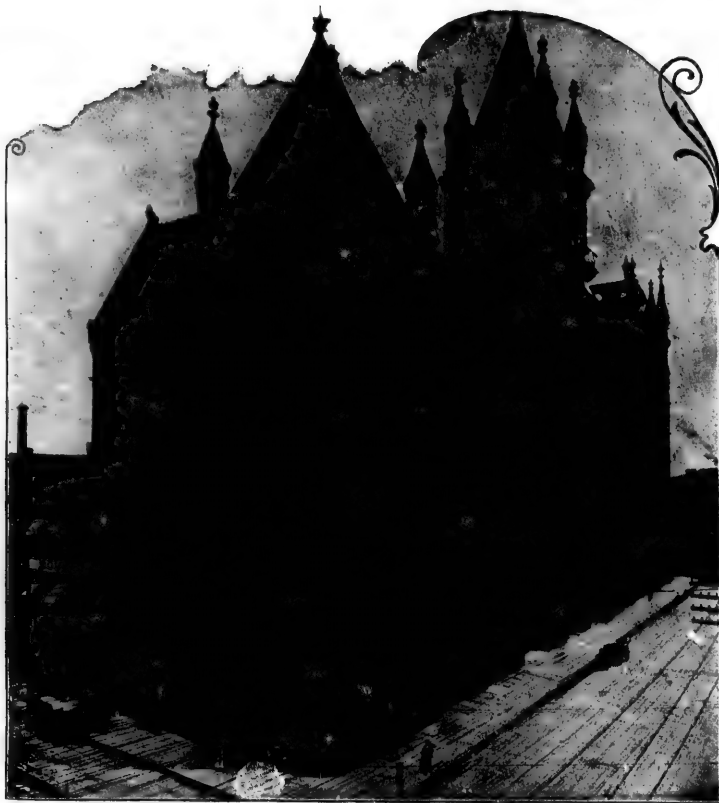


the New St. James is only a forcible illustration of the transition from the "what was" to the "what is now." In other words, we have in this latest and best addition to Toronto's numerous and well equipped hosteleries all that modern science, modern ingenuity and modern brains can accomplish for human comfort and human enjoyment. The New St. James Hotel, at the corner of Simcoe and Front streets, is now the latest,

the best and the most popular hotel in Toronto. It is furthermore the model hotel of Canada, its conveniences and equipment are as near perfect as modern science can make them, it is provided with automatic speaking tubes to every guest chamber and is the only hotel in Canada having this new and great convenience. It has a garden roof and beautiful tile floors with elevator from the basement to the roof. It is heated by steam, lighted by both gas and electricity, bathroom on each flat, hot and cold water and a billiard room under the management of Mr. Geo. Sutton, champion billiard player of Canada; also a barber shop. Each flat is provided with a balcony, with fire escape from one balcony to the other down to the sidewalk. In short, it possesses every modern improvement of the age, and stands to-day, unchallenged, the finest hotel in Canada. The building is of pressed brick, five stories in height, specially planned for the purpose, and is a model of elegance and comfort throughout, and contains twenty-five rooms for the accommodation of guests, all elegantly furnished, everything clean and neat. The dining room is magnificently furnished and has a seating capacity of two hundred. The *cuisine* of the hotel is of the highest standard, employment being given only to the best cooks, and securing the best of everything in the market, all the luxuries and dainties as well as the staples, the renown of the table is widespread. The architecture of the building is of the latest modern type, and is ornate and beautiful in the extreme. The elevator is of modern construction and operated by hydraulic power, while the boiler for heating, etc. is of twenty-five horse power capacity. The office is very commodious and most elegantly fitted up and provided with every modern convenience. The kitchen, extending the full length of the building, is absolutely perfect in its appointments and conveniences, including electric broilers, latest improved ice room, storage room, etc. It is without exception, considering the short time it has been open to the public, the most popular and most liberally patronized of any hotel in the city. Mr. Jos. Hawley, the proprietor, has won an international reputation for his ability as a hotel proprietor, and is noted for making his guests comfortable, and is so well known to the travelling public as to make any introduction at our hands superfluous, suffice it to say, he is the most popular hotel man in Toronto, and his fifteen years on the road as a travelling salesman has amply fitted him for a popular and successful hotel proprietor. It is enough to say that Mr. Hawley is known by the Knights of the Grip, and esteemed and respected by all whether they hail from our own broad domain or across the border. In Mr. Hawley's own language we would say, "Come one, come all and see the New St. James Hotel, where you will be made welcome."







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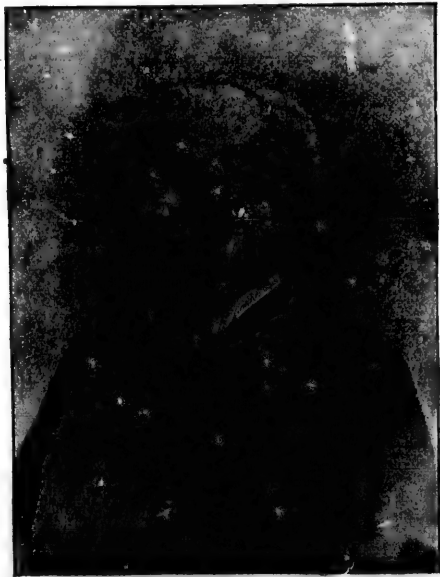
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The question of a higher Education is one of absorbing interest in this age of intense intellectual activity. It is more forcibly evident than ever before, that the stepping stone to success in any field is a solid, thorough, practical education. Our Universities are giving this to the professions, and fortunately for Canada we have an institution which has risen to the needs of the commercial student, viz: "The British American Business and Shorthand College," a veritable Business University, with its comprehensive curriculum and advanced methods of instruction. It is notably the most progressive and greatest commercial and shorthand college in the Dominion; possesses the most experienced and capable faculty; and affords to pupils, both ladies and gentlemen, the certainty of a rapid and satisfactory progress through every branch of business education. Thousands of Canada's most prosperous and eminent merchants and business men, look back with respect and gratitude to this, their Alma Mater, and the brilliant records of its graduates are an ever present incentive to the students of to-day to do their best, and avail themselves of the splendid avenues to lucrative employment opening up on every hand after graduation. This College was founded in Toronto thirty-four years ago. The pioneer in this vitally important field of education, it has ever led in the van of progress, and is to day the only exponent in the Dominion of a Higher Business Education. The student can enter at any time, a manifest advantage, and receives direct personal instruction, insuring his being made to understand every detail of the subject studied. He can pursue the full Commercial Course or that devoted to Penmanship and Correspondence. The former comprises Book-Keeping, Penmanship, Commercial Arithmetic, Correspondence, Commercial Law, Spelling and Dictation, and Actual Business Practice. The latter, full instruction in Penmanship, Correspondence and all sorts of Business and Legal forms. The student begins his studies under the most favourable auspices, as his teachers are among the most skilful and experienced business educators on the Continent, and see that he or she is thoroughly grounded in the rudiments of every subject before proceeding to become practically familiar with its details. Book-keeping naturally maintains a position of prominence. Every pupil has to study the theory of book-keeping thoroughly before entering the actual business department, where he must practically apply the rules and methods previously learned. In this sensible manner the theory and practice are

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so linked together, that the student is acquiring exactly the same experience as if he were in some large mercantile house, and in addition, his experience here covers every portion of the wide field of commerce. Another feature made specially prominent in the College is the art of penmanship. Mr. Connor O'Dea, the teacher of this branch of study, is one of the most talented penmen on the Continent. As a teacher of business penmanship, of that clear, rapid and precise handwriting, so essential to the clerk and bookkeeper, he has no superior. While making progress in penmanship the student is carefully instructed in every branch of commercial arithmetic, so that he can readily and accurately perform the most difficult computations. He is instructed how to draw up the instruments of trade, such as notes, drafts,



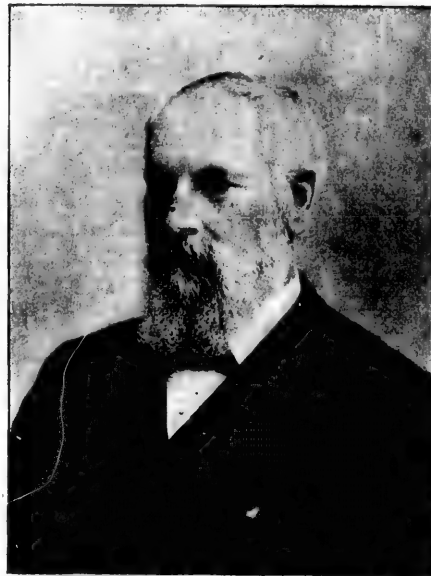
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receipts, checks, bills of exchange, etc., in correct and business like form. He is made familiar with the best methods of commercial correspondence, and learns to write a model letter, correctly spelled and punctuated, grammatically constructed; a clear, lucid, explicit communication, conveying all that has to be said in as few words as possible. He listens to lectures on commercial law and legal forms by that eminent member of the bar, Mr. G. W. Holmes, B. A., and to lectures on finance and the customs of trade by that recognized authority, Mr. Edward Trout. In this thorough way the whole field is covered, and from this, which is the preliminary portion of the course, the student is launched into actual business—in a department of the College specially fitted up for the purpose—an exact counterpart of the

busy, bustling world of commerce outside. The "British American" was the first Canadian College to introduce actual business practice, and has adopted many improved methods, rendering its system perfect, and insuring a fidelity to the details of actual business nowhere else possible. The student is given a certain amount of capital, in money current at the College bank, and among the business houses established by his fellow pupils. He then proceeds to buy and sell in the actual way, receiving and delivering his goods; making out and handling notes, checks, drafts, invoices, etc.; opens an account at the College bank; and after pursuing the usual routine, carefully entering each transaction, he has to close up and balance each set of books. After the most thorough drill, having to conduct not only a



MR. EDWARD TROUT.

mercantile business, but those of a manufacturer, real estate and insurance broker, etc., etc., he is placed in the College bank; beginning as discount clerk and progressing successively through all the positions up to paying teller, cashier and president. He also takes an active part in the organization of banks and joint stock companies. After such a thorough drill as this, both theoretically and practically, the student has to pass severe final examinations before graduating, and thus leaves the College with a diploma that becomes a guarantee of his or her efficiency, and graduates of this College are preferred by business houses all over the Dominion, by reason of their superior proficiency. To those unable to take the full commercial course, the one covering penmanship and correspondence has been specially arranged to give them a thorough, practical training in these great desiderata to a business man, and in connection therewith are drilled in the preparation and use of all the various business and legal forms. Another most important department is that devoted to instruction in shorthand. Isaac Pitman's system of phonography is the one taught here. It is the only perfect one, and for brevity of forms, ease of writing and legibility, has no equal. Many so called "new systems" borrow all their essentials from Pitman, while their innovations are a snare and a delusion to the learner. Pitman's system is the only one that will enable the phonographer to follow the most rapid speaker, and is in such general use that for this reason alone it is the only one that should be taught. Students have the advantage of remarkably successful teachers in Mr. Hoskins and his assistants, and if they are diligent in practice, can become an expert writer in shorthand in from four to six months. Clever students often attain a speed of one hundred and fifty words a minute within this time. Both individual and class instruction of the most practical kind is given and rapid progress is the rule. An advanced feature of this school is the formation of a complete series of shorthand speed classes, covering every description of dictated and offhand reportorial work. These severe tests of skill and accuracy insure to students a confidence in their powers and ability to take rapid dictation that no other method can. In this connection it is extremely interesting to note that at the last examinations held by the Chartered Stenographers of Ontario, in February, 1893, the British American Business and Shorthand College established beyond a doubt its claim to be the leading school of shorthand and typewriting in Canada. "No other Toronto school succeeded in passing any of its candidates for the diploma of the association, whereas half of the total number of the successful candidates in the Province were trained at the British American. This diploma is a guarantee of the most thorough proficiency in shorthand and collateral subjects. The junior certificate

"is awarded to those who by their work show themselves capable of properly discharging the duties of a short-hand amanuensis. The number of these certificates obtained by pupils of the British American was equal to that of all the other schools combined." The above extract is from the Toronto *World* and speaks volumes for the superiority of this shorthand school. The same pre-eminence is noticeable in the typewriting department. Each student receives personal instruction and has a machine set apart for his or her use at set hours of the day, so that abundance of practice can be had under the critical eye of an expert. There is a daily drill in the most approved forms of business correspondence of all kinds, while special attention is given to the drawing up of affidavits, assignments, contracts, conveyances, wills, mortgages, etc., thus enabling the graduate to efficiently perform the duties of operator for any commercial or legal firm. Another most important feature of this department is, the constant practice in the direct transcribing of shorthand notes, conducing so greatly to speed and accuracy. The Faculty of the College is presided over by Mr. Edward Trout, to whose great energy and ability is due the remarkable early success of this institution, placing it far in advance of all competition. Mr. Trout is the leading publicist in financial circles, and as the publisher of the *Monetary Times*, his views are accepted as authoritative. Having made such a close and exhaustive study of all financial and commercial problems, Mr. Trout is specially qualified as lecturer on finance and customs of trade, to give students a thorough insight into the complex workings of the business world, and to familiarize them with the most advanced methods employed in the largest concerns. Mr. Connor O'Dea is a born educator. As secretary and manager of the practical department, his vast range of experience, profound knowledge of book-keeping and commercial methods, and marvellous skill as a penman are all fully utilized, and it is the valued privilege of every pupil to have Mr. O'Dea's personal assistance in pursuing his studies, and in securing the full benefits derived from a connection with the actual business department. Mr. O'Dea is the leading Canadian expert in penmanship and he has been called upon to give evidence in the most famous trials, where disputed handwriting came before the courts, notably in the famous Birchall trial at Woodstock, and in the trial of Mrs. Carruthers, on the charge of murdering her husband, where his evidence as an expert was conceded to be the most conclusive and convincing ever given on the question of penmanship. Mr. O'Dea's success as an instructor in penmanship is phenomenal, and those desirous of seeing what he can do with students who write very badly, should send to the College for his pamphlet giving lithographed copies of pupils' writing when they entered and left the College.

The contrast is so remarkably great as to elicit expressions of surprise at the wonderful improvement shown. This pamphlet also contains lithographed copies of all business forms. Mr. O'Dea is also celebrated as an author, the "Practical Book-keeper" from his pen having passed through a number of editions, while his "Manual of Correspondence" has reached its twenty-fifth thousand, and both works are leading text books in use in commercial colleges, both in Canada and the United States. Mr. David Hoskins, teacher of book-keeping, arithmetic, correspondence and shorthand, joined the Faculty in 1882, and has charge of the junior commercial department, also superintending the work of the shorthand and typewriting departments. Mr. Hoskins' abilities as a teacher are very great. He has won the highest encomiums everywhere as a most skilful, practical accountant, an excellent penman, a rapid and accurate phonographer, and a teacher who is thorough and painstaking with every pupil. This College is located in the most progressive and beautiful city of Canada, with upwards of 225,000 population. It is a great metropolis and the railway and shipping centre of Ontario, having all the principal manufacturing and mercantile interests centred in its midst, while here are the headquarters of all the great banks, loan and insurance companies. The College occupies the finest premises of the kind on the American Continent. They are delightfully located, occupying the entire fourth floor of the west section of the Confederation Life Building, corner of Yonge and Richmond streets. It has an area of about 6,500 square feet, divided into six magnificent rooms, entered from spacious and handsomely decorated corridors. All the modern improvements have been introduced here. Special attention has been given to lighting, ventilation and heating. An electric exhaust fan draws off the vitiated air, while supplying hot air in winter and cool air in summer. There is steam heat, both electric light and gas, and perfect sanitary arrangements, with lavatories fitted up in marble. There are four fast running electric elevators in the building, one of which is reserved specially for the use of pupils and visitors. In every respect the College premises approach the highest ideal of comfort, convenience and utility, and afford a fitting home for the most advanced and successful institution of the kind in Canada. The terms for tuition are very moderate, and good board in private families can be obtained for from \$3 to \$3.50 per week. Pupils possessing a fair common school education should be able to graduate in from four to six months, the length of time depending entirely on the energy, industry and previous training of the student. New diplomas of great artistic beauty have been specially engraved for the College at large expense, and each graduate receives one, while beautiful silver and gold medals,

specially designed for the College, are awarded semi-annually to the students making the greatest progress. Great public interest is manifested in this institution, and at the last annual examination the President of the Board of Trade presented a gold medal to the leader of the class. In an address to the students Mr. Baird said, among other things: "It is just as necessary and important for the commercial man to have special training for his work as for the professional man. A thorough training such as received here, is in these days almost a necessity, and with due diligence on your part should place you in the front rank of business men. So far as the presentation of the Medal is concerned, as President of the Board of Trade I have only a right to speak for that body until the end of my term of office, but I may express the hope that my successor will contribute a similar medal for such a worthy cause, and to an institution so deserving." The most prominent bankers and business men strongly endorse the methods of this College, among them being D. R. Wilkie, Esq., Cashier of the Imperial Bank; W. P. Howland, Esq., K.C.B., of the Confederation Life; Geo. Gooderham, Esq., President of the Bank of Toronto; J. Austin, Esq., President of the Dominion Bank; Henry S. Howland, Esq., President of the Imperial Bank; Geo. Hague, Esq., General Manager of the Merchants Bank, and scores of other Presidents and Managers equally well known. To conclude, the British American Business and Shorthand College is the best in the Dominion both as regards accommodations, improvements, scope and character of education imparted, rapid progress under such an eminent Faculty, and because its graduates have a well-grounded certainty of not only securing remunerative employment after graduation, but of being perfectly competent to discharge the duties devolving upon them. This is the place to become perfect conjointly in penmanship, shorthand, typewriting, business correspondence, and office practice, and though the Faculty does not guarantee situations to students, as is unscrupulously done elsewhere, yet no graduate, who is thoroughly qualified, need fear not finding employment, as the demand for competent office assistants is far greater than the supply, and almost all the business houses of any size in town contain from one to ten former students of the British American. There are fully 3,000 of its former students in Toronto business houses, and during the past year the Faculty has placed more students in good positions than all the other schools combined. Those seeking references from former students now employed, should send for the College pamphlet, entitled "Look Inside." It is thus apparent from every point of view, that the young man or young lady who seeks a thorough, practical, commercial education, should, by all means, attend the British American Business and Shorthand College.

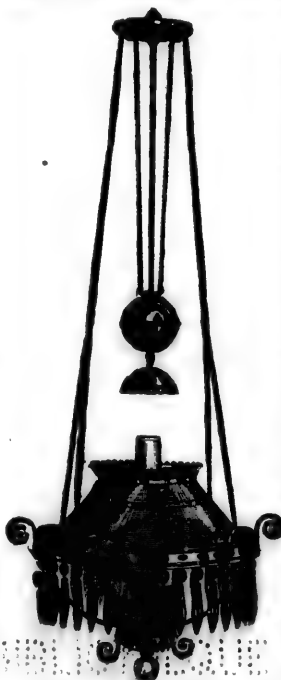
## JOHN MILNE &amp; CO.

IN few branches of trade has the march of progress wrought such a veritable revolution as in the stove and kindred lines of business. What with invention, improvement and the development of skill, something closely akin to perfection has been reached in this department of industrial activity. A popular and enterprising establishment in this line is that of Messrs. John Milne & Co., whose extensive establishment is located

at 169 Yonge st., two doors below Queen. The firm are among the largest dealers in the city of stoves, ranges, and general household furnishings, including gas and oil stoves, refrigerators, ice-cream freezers, filters, iron bedsteads and mattresses, baby carriages, etc. The firm are also extensive manufacturers of awnings, tents and flags. Their premises on Yonge street consist of a fine four-story and basement building, 30 x 125 feet in dimensions, on the first floor of which are the offices and stove and house-furnishing department; on the second, the baby-carriage department, also the tent and awning manufactory; on the third floor, the tinware department, while the fourth is devoted to storage. Upwards of thirty clerks and work-

men are employed, and an immense local trade is controlled. The firm are large purchasers from the best manufacturers in England, Germany and the United States, while they regularly carry a stock valued at from \$25,000 to \$30,000. Mr. D. Coutie, the general manager, if one of our most active and enterprising business men, thoroughly up to the wants of the times and the demands of the trade. He is a Canadian by birth, and has been connected with the house for the past twelve years.

The firm make a leading specialty of the "Jewel" ranges, feeders and furnaces, manufactured by Burrow, Stewart & Milne, of Hamilton, and of which there are now over five thousand in use in Toronto, all of which give universal satisfaction. The firm is one of the best known in the Dominion, and their stock being one of the largest and finest, we advise all desiring anything in their line to call on them before purchasing elsewhere. Orders are promptly filled at the lowest possible prices, and the trade of the Company extends over the entire province of Ontario. To the energy, ability and courtesy of Mr. D. Coutie, the general manager, is due to a great extent the popularity of the firm,



and under his management as rapid forward strides in the future will be made as has been in the past, and we predict for the house a success that is sure to come to such an ably conducted establishment, and handling as they do only the best.

## NORTH AMERICAN LIFE ASS. CO.

STEADY AND SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THE COMPANY'S RESOURCES—WONDERFUL GROWTH.

**A** REPETITION of what happened in Australia a short time ago has been sweeping over the great republic of the United States, and it is to be greatly regretted that there are no immediate signs of this disastrous financial disturbance and distrust, with its attendant dire results, passing away. A financial crisis in a country of such close proximity, extending thousands of miles from north to south and from the Atlantic to the Pacific, greatly injuring and inconveniencing all kinds of commercial and financial enterprise, might naturally have been expected to have extended across the border line, and with that lightning rapidity which has ever charac-

terized the country being in a relatively prosperous condition, contentment reigns in the minds of the people, and their confidence in Canada's boundless resources instills in them the truth that we have a land as rich and as good as any people might desire. While other nations' financial institutions are tottering, Canada's are strong, running their even course without the slightest sign of danger. Perhaps one of the great secrets of the strength

A striking example of this is to be found in the history of the North American Life Assurance Company, whose head office is located in Toronto, and which has branch offices and agencies in every Province and important centre of the Dominion. The progress of the North American, especially during the past ten years, can be gathered from the following table, taken from the Dominion Government report on insurance:—

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| Dec. 31st, 1883, assets | £ 193,897 32 |
| Dec. 31st, 1886, " "    | 422,402 07   |
| Dec. 31st, 1889, " "    | 816,710 00   |
| Dec. 31st, 1892, " "    | 1,414,491 00 |

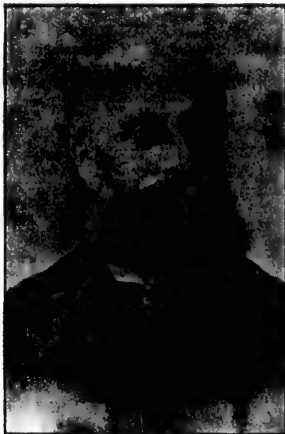
This steady, substantial increase in the company's resources is truly great, the increase in the last triennial period being over 70 per cent.



WM. MCCABE, F.L.A., F.S.S., ENG.  
Managing Director, North American Life Assurance Co.

terized its entrance wherever it has secured a grasp, spread devastation and distrust over our own fair Dominion.

That such is not the case is fortunate, and, more than this, the indications are that Canada will be spared from such an experience for at least many years to come. Our



JOHN L. BLAIE,  
President, North American Life Assurance Co.

and security of our institutions is to be recognized in the fact that they are chiefly organized, founded and guided by British principles and experience, in which thoroughness, substantiality and security are the main stays. Our banks are prosperous and retain the confidence of the people, for their shares are selling at almost as high a price as ever they did; our great loaning institutions give no indications of financial stringency, while our insurance companies report that their business is being pursued with the same amount of vigor and progress as heretofore. Some of the life insurance companies exhibit clearly and unmistakably what we have said—that Canada's institutions are strong, great and prosperous.



L. GOLDMAN, A.I.A., ENG.  
Secretary, North American Life Assurance Co.

This is, however, in passing, a most important matter, not to be overlooked. When we go over the financial reports of our great monetary institutions the questions are often suggested—How are these funds employed? In what are they invested? Is a remunerative rate of interest secured?—and the same questions might be

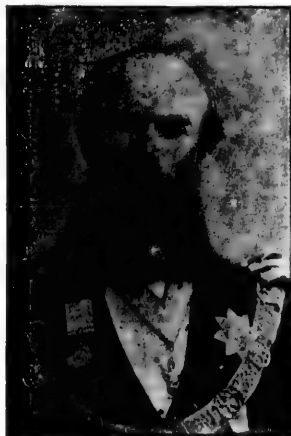
asked in respect to the funds of the North American. The Government reports give full and interesting information on this point. First mortgages on properties constitute the company's chief investment, while debentures and bonds of cities, towns and municipalities are leading securities held by it. The class of securities held can best be judged by the prompt manner in which the interest has been paid up, while the high rate of interest earned on its securities, being the second highest rate in a list of seventeen Canadian, British and American life insurance companies, is evidence of the remunerative character of its investments.

• The greatness of the North American Life can be judged from considering the extent of its policy obligations, being the amount which it has pledged itself to pay

These are large obligations to undertake, yet the North American is fully and well equipped to meet them, for, testing its financial position by the Dominion Government standard, it has for every \$100 of liabilities, assets of \$120 to meet them. The proportion of assets to liabilities is thus greater in the case of the North American than in any other Canadian life insurance company, while there is but one American company doing business which

tages, consistent with safety and equity to existing members. In this its success has been most marked. The North American can claim for its compound investment policy a contract of insurance containing advantages not given by the policy contract of any other insurance company. The immediate payment of its policies on receipt of proof of death and the unqualified satisfaction which the results of its ten-year investment policies have afforded their holders, have combined to make the North American Life a policy-holders' company in the best sense of the term.

The President, Mr. John L. Blaikie, who is also the President of the Canadian Landed & National Investment Co. of Canada, has brought to bear in his office the ripe judgment and experience of many years of a success-



J. K. KERR, Q.C.,

Second Vice-President, North American Life Assurance Co.

to its members or their representatives. These are the figures at the close of the years indicated:—

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| Dec. 31st, 1883, insurance in force.. | \$ 2,939,582 |
| Dec. 31st, 1886, " " ..               | 5,706,805    |
| Dec. 31st, 1889, " " ..               | 8,491,483    |
| Dec. 31st, 1892, " " ..               | 12,060,080   |

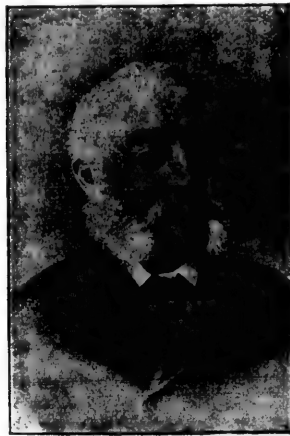


HON. G. W. ALLAN,

First Vice-President, North American Life Assurance Co.

exceeds the North American in this test. It thus follows that the North American has a relative greater surplus fund than the companies referred to. As all the profits to policy-holders are payable out of this fund, it stands to reason that a company without a surplus of assets over its liabilities, or with but a nominal surplus, cannot be a satisfactory one to insure in.

Perhaps not a little of the remarkable success of the company is to be attributed to its method of doing business, its plans of insurance and the men who are directing its affairs. It has always been the aim of its management to offer to the insuring public those policies of insurance which contain the greatest number of advan-



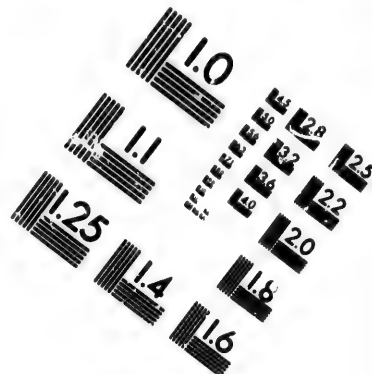
JAMES THORBURN, M.D., EDIN.,

Medical Director, North American Life Assurance Co.

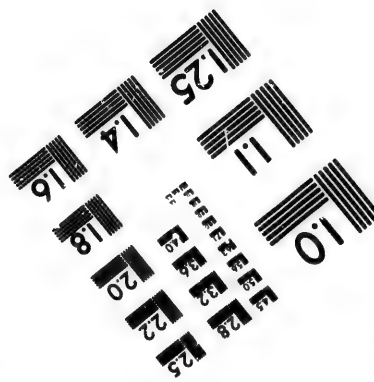
ful financial business life. His connection with the company from its organization as Director, Chairman of the Executive Committee and Vice-President, well qualified him for the important position his colleagues called him to when electing him to the Presidency of the company. His counsel and advice in the company's







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insurance department have proved invaluable, the solid character of the company's securities being ample evidence of this.

Hon. G. W. Allan, the company's first Vice-President, was elected to that office on the demise of the Hon. Alex. Morris. The Hon. Mr. Allan is well and favorably known to most Canadians as Speaker of the Senate of Canada. He is, of course, a Conservative, and was an intimate friend of the late Sir John A. Macdonald.

The Hon. Mr. Allan is closely identified with many of our public institutions. In financial circles he is best known as President of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company and one of the commissioners of the Canada Company.

Mr. J. K. Kerr, Q.C., the company's second Vice-President, has been closely associated with the company since its organization, as director, and subsequently as Vice-President. He is senior member of the well-known law firm of Kerr, Macdonald, Davidson & Paterson, and has always been the company's counsel and legal adviser. In politics Mr. Kerr is a Liberal. Being an enthusiastic member of the Masonic Order he has held, at different times, various offices in the craft, including that of Grand Master.

Dr. James Thorburn has been continuously the company's medical director. To his skill and care in the selection and admission of applicants for insurance, the favorable mortality which the company has experienced during these many years is, no doubt, largely to be attributed. The doctor, besides being a member of the company's Finance Committee, is President of one of Toronto's leading loan companies, is physician to Upper Canada College, consulting surgeon of the Toronto General Hospital, Victoria Hospital, Home for Incurables and Boys' Home, and emeritus professor of pharmacology and therapeutics in the medical faculty of Toronto University.

The company's managing director is Mr. William McCabe, fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of Great Britain, and fellow of the Statistical Society of England. He has been the leading spirit in the company's operation, and to his unremitting efforts and conservative management the unexcelled financial position of the North American is unquestionably attributable.

In his work he has been ably assisted by Mr. L. Goldman, associate of the Institute of Actuaries and Secretary of the company. Everything tending to the greater prosperity and progress of the North American receives his earnest support.

#### H. J. PELL.

OF the many complexities of city life none is so important or demands closer attention than the sanitary regulating of plumbing, ventilation, etc., and of all those engaged in this business in this city none is better qualified to execute first-class work than Mr. H. J. Pell,



whose premises are located at the rear of No. 334 Queen street east. Mr. Pell has established a well earned reputation for skill and thorough workmanship. He is prompt in his attention to orders, and furnishes plans and specifications for making sewer connections and regulating underground drainage; also gives special attention to ventilation, introducing water into buildings, setting bath tubs, sinks, etc., gas and steam-fitting work

of all kinds, repairing and setting up stoves, furnaces and heaters, putting up and repairing tin roofing, galvanized iron cornices, and doing all kinds of tin, sheet-iron and sheet-metal work. Mr. Pell established this business in 1889, and has since built up wide-spread and first-class connections. The salesroom is tastefully fitted up and arranged, and contains an extensive stock of plumbers', steam and gas fitters' supplies and materials. Several hands are employed, Mr. Pell giving his close personal attention to all orders intrusted to him, estimates being furnished on application. The Telephone call is 1357, Mr. Pell is a native of the United States.



#### C. STEDMAN FIEROE.

ONE of the most attractive as well as popular business establishments in Toronto is that of C. Stedman Fieroe, at 3 King street east. The business was established fifteen years ago on King street, and from the outset has been successful and prosperous. The parlors are neatly and tastefully arranged, and in parlor No. 1 is displayed a wide and useful range of toilet articles from the best manufacturers to be found in the new and old world. She deals in nothing but those that have been proven to be all they are advertised—pure and healthy with all. Mme. Fieroe's Curling Fluid, also Josephine Moore's Always Young, in bricks, 40c. & 75c. and \$1, (sent by mail), of which I have the exclusive right for sale. Dr. Woodward's Face Massage Steamers used and for sale. Hermosa for the steam, an antiseptic,

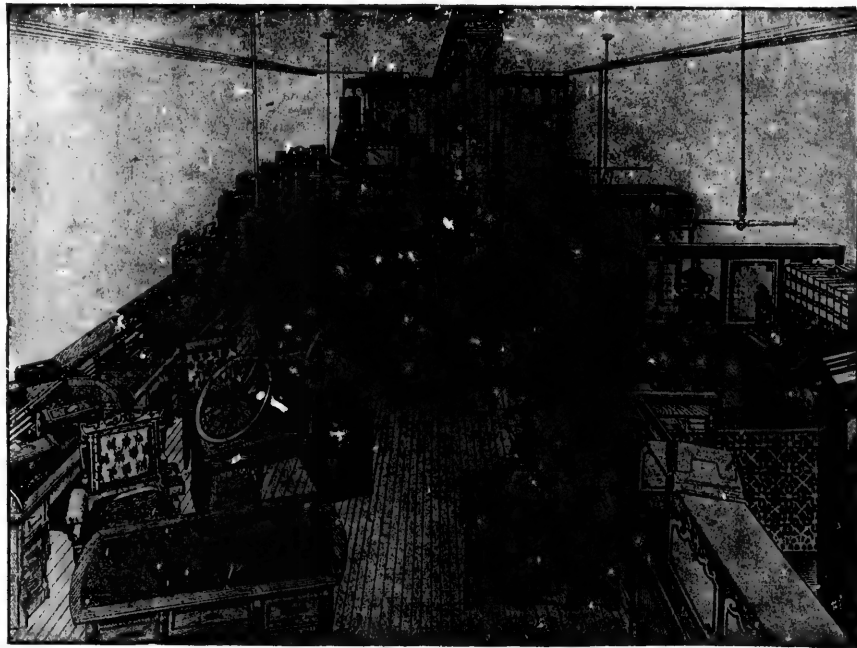
removing the germs and poisons in the human skin that mar its beauty and freshness; and a full line of razors and goods in her show cases. Zan O'Lin Nail Bleach, Pink nail sand for polishing, Rosy Nell nail and lip tins, Buffer's scissors, files, orange sticks and emery boards. Dr. Farker Pray's goods on hand. Lambs' wool oil for softening and nourishing the skin; not sold by druggists. The crowning glory of her business just now is, she has just secured the sole privilege of selling the Derma-Royal, the very best article now in American toilet, together with Derma-Royal Soap. Freckles, tan and pimples soon go when Derma-Royal is placed on a lady's dresser. Send for the Derma Royal Courier, with over fifty cuts, with recommends from all over the world, and their guarantee of five hundred dollars for its purity and worth. She has also recently secured the agency for the sale of the toilet goods of Marie Mott Gage, A.B., graduate of Vassar College, "85." You are always sure of finding the latest and best by calling on C. S. Fieroe. Toilet parlors with rooms for ladies' massage, and manicure rooms for gentlemen and shampooing are here; and many gentlemen are now enjoying the very pleasant face massage. In room No. 2 will be found Buttrick's celebrated paper patterns, and particular care is given to plain and fancy pinking, knife pleating with steam basting ready for use, accordion and Parisian pleating. She has the only large steam fluter in Canada. Dr. Snyder's Obesity Specialty for sale; city testimonials given. Her parlors are liberally patronized by the best families, and polite and courteous attention is accorded all. Popular prices prevail and business is active and brisk. Mme. Fieroe is a lady of most excellent taste and judgment and popular with her many patrons.

#### GEO. F. BOSTWICK.

**A** PROMINENT and successful house in Toronto actively engaged in the manufacture of office, bank and commercial furniture is that of Mr. Geo. F. Bostwick, whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 24 West Front street. This extensive business was established in 1884 by Mr. Geo. F. Bostwick, whose trade, which is both wholesale and retail, extends throughout the entire Dominion. He occupies a spacious six-story building, 30 x 120 feet in dimensions, fitted up with every convenience for the accommodation of the heavy and valuable stock. The first floor is devoted to office furniture, desks, safes, metallic office fittings, etc.; the second, to a very extensive variety of high-grade chairs and school desks; the third, to church furniture, pulpits and opera chairs, etc., while the fourth floor is stocked with mantels, grates and tiles; and the fifth, with all the latest styles and makes of bicycles. Mr. Bostwick em-

plays in his factory on the Esplanade, fifty hands, and also has fifteen clerks, assistants, etc., in his offices and warehouse. He manufactures the above mentioned lines as well as all kinds of office, store and bank fittings, Amberg's patent "Peerless" cabinet letter files, which he controls for the Dominion. Mr. Bostwick also handles automatic school desks, lodge furniture, cash registers, "The Cashier," counter stools, etc., and represents Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch safes, vault doors, etc. His stock of bicycles includes the "Premier,"

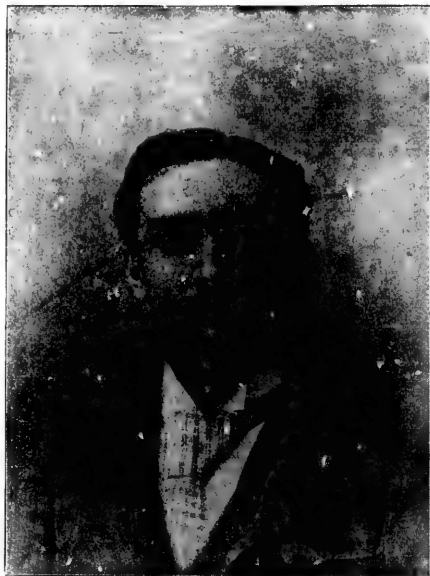
"Excelsior," "Eureka," "Raglan," etc., which are offered to customers at manufacturers' prices. All furniture, desks, etc., manufactured by Mr. Bostwick are made of the most carefully selected and choicest lumber, and are the embodiments of mechanical workmanship of the highest order of perfection. Orders are filled with care and despatch at the lowest possible figures, and all goods are fully warranted. Mr. Bostwick is liberal, honorable and energetic, and his success is entirely due to his perseverance and personal merit.



GROUND FLOOR OF GEO. F. BOSTWICK'S WAREHOUSE, 24 FRONT STREET WEST, TORONTO, ONT.

## FRANK S. TAGGART &amp; CO.

THE house of Mr. Frank S. Taggart (trading as Frank S. Taggart & Co.) constitutes an exponent of native talent, energy and enterprise that has no counterpart in the Dominion of Canada to-day. It stands unrivalled and unapproachable in a field peculiarly its own and in

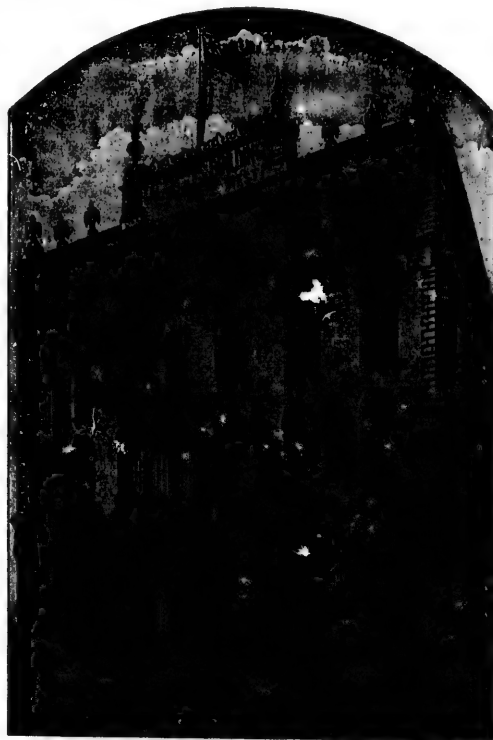


FRANK S. TAGGART.

which the esteemed proprietor has built up an enormous wholesale and retail trade in watches, clocks, diamonds, fine gold and silver jewellery, gold and silver tableware, art goods, guns, revolvers, firearms, ammuni-

tion, sportsmen's requisites, bicycles, etc., at bargain prices. This enterprise was established by its present proprietor in 1891, since which date the business of the concern has steadily and rapidly grown, until now it has deservedly attained proportions of the greatest magnitude. Mr. Taggart, as the founder of this distinctively original and eminently useful class of house, is everywhere recognized as a splendid business man, energetic, far-seeing and prompt to take advantage of bargains wherever offered, and to use printer's ink as a better aid to a lively trade than the conventional "drummer" of his contemporaries. The premises occupied, No. 89 King street west, Toronto, are unusually extensive, and comprise a commodious four-story and basement brick building, 60 x 100 feet in dimensions, giving ample accommodation for the manipulation and display of the exceptionally fine lines of goods carried, and the general advantageous prosecution of the huge business transacted. Mr. Taggart has made what may be termed a new departure in this particular branch of commerce, sending out no commercial travellers, but, instead, annually publishing a beautifully printed and elegantly got-up, large sized catalogue, which is ably edited, and gives descriptions, illustrations and bed-rock quotations on all classes of merchandise dealt in. It will thus be seen at a glance what a wonderfully comprehensive stock is that of this house, while the prices quoted are absolutely the lowest and cannot be duplicated elsewhere. Mr. Taggart is a Canadian by birth, still in the early prime of life, whose career presents a thorough exemplification of the best class of clear-cut "end of the century" business talent, coupled with an energy, a foresight and an industry

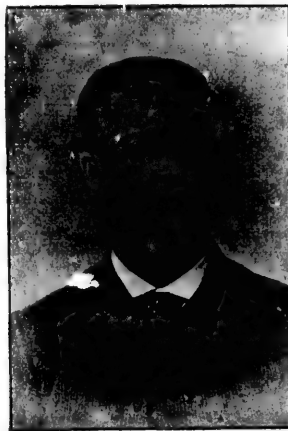
as valuable as they are necessary to the rearing, in so comparatively brief a period, of a business of such mammoth proportions as he now undoubtedly controls.





**BOSTON STEAM LAUNDRY.**

OF those branches of industry connected with the washing and cleaning of our daily attire the special attention of our readers is directed to the reliable Boston Steam Laundry, Mr. W. W. Artindale, proprietor, with head office and works at 294 King street east. The premises comprise a three-story brick building, covering a lot 15 x 200 feet, with stables in the rear. The basement is utilized for washing purposes, the first floor



as office, marking and parcel room; the second floor, ironing department, and the third floor, drying room. The plant is one of the best equipped in the city, and recently has been fitted with the latest improved machines and machinery, operated by a ten-horse power steam engine. A force of skilled hands is employed in the different departments, and for first-class work, promptness and reliability the Boston Laundry is unsurpassed. Goods are called for and delivered without extra charge, and every attention paid to the requirements of patrons. Shirts, collars and cuffs are laundered in the best style and family laundry work receives that attention its importance demands. Mr. Artindale, the proprietor, is a native of Canada.

**LOWE'S COMMERCIAL ACADEMY.**

FOR years there had been a growing demand for some commercial institution where struggling young men and women could obtain a business training at a moderate cost, and this demand was fully met by Mr. Lowe when in 1887 he threw open the doors of Lowe's



Commercial Academy to the public. How well the public have appreciated his effort is evinced by the fact that already over 2,000 students have graduated from this institution. The Academy is located 344 and 346 Spadina Avenue and occupies large and well ventilated rooms, and the various courses taught are as follows: shorthand, book-keeping, typewriting, arithmetic, and writing, in each of which the tuition is placed at the mere nominal sum of \$5.00, about one quarter the price charged by other institutions of a like character. As a result of this liberal policy there are to-day, thanks to his enterprise and generosity, many young men and women who formerly served long hours in stores and offices for a mere pittance who now are earning good salaries. Among the business houses where students of Lowe's Commercial Academy are now employed we mention the following: Grand Trunk Railway, Canadian Pacific Railway, Canadian Express Co., Dominion Express Co., Dominion Bank, Bank of Commerce, Ontario Bank, Gendron Mfg Co., Ontario Plow Works, Warren Bros. & Bonner, J. W. Lang & Co., and many others. Mr. Lowe, the principal of the Academy, is a young man of energy and determination as well as superior business qualifications, a gentleman of fine education and is heart and soul devoted to his work. For his zeal and determination in carrying on so noble an enterprise he is fully deserving of the highest praise.

**WILLIAM PARSONS.**

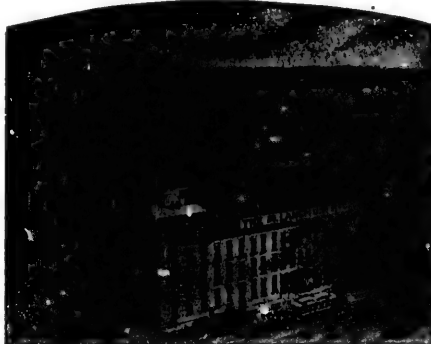
ONE of the most successful operators in realty in this city is Mr. Wm. Parsons of No. 4 Adelaide street east. Mr. Parsons was born in England and established his business in this city in 1886. He transacts a general real estate business, buying, selling, exchanging, leasing and renting all kinds of city and suburban property as well as farm lands and manufacturing property. He also controls some of the finest timber



lands and farms in the most productive parts of Ontario, and surrounding provinces. His influential financial connections enable him to negotiate loans, mortgages, etc., on the easiest conditions and at lowest rates of interest. Personal attention is given to the management of estates for non-residents, desirable tenants are secured, rents collected, taxes and insurance premiums paid, etc. Mr. Parsons has a thorough knowledge of property values, not only in this city but throughout the surrounding country, and is one of Toronto's progressive and public spirited business men, and is as eminently popular in business circles as he is successful.

### THE M. LANGMUIR MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED, OF TORONTO.

**T**HERE is no industrial establishment in the length and breadth of the Dominion more solidly prosperous, more carefully and ably managed or whose products are more justly celebrated than that of the Langmuir Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Toronto. As a vast and reliable business enterprise it is of secondary importance to no other concern of the same line in America, which consists of the wholesale manufacture of trunks, travelling bags, travelling requisites, etc. Their goods, both as to style, workmanship, elegance of finish



and durability, are easy leaders in the market and are greatly sought for by jobbers and wholesalers everywhere, and by the trade generally. The trade of this great company embraces a wide field, extending throughout Canada and the United States and includes the West Indies. The managers have paid close and undivided attention to the excellence of their wares rather than to the amount of the sales or monetary returns, and as a result they have achieved an international reputation and a constantly expanding patronage which have brought to the company a pre-eminence in its special industry of which it has praiseworthy reason to be proud. Messrs. H. E. Clarke & Co. were the original founders of the business, which was incorporated in 1890 with a capital of \$100,000. The company's officers are as follows:—M. Langmuir, President; J. DeGruchy, Secretary; H. Goodman, J. Summerfield and D. McKinlay,

Directors. An abler or more representative body of business men could not be gathered together and their names are synonymous with progressiveness and integrity. They are withal men of practical experience, whose thorough knowledge of all details enable them to intelligently and advantageously supervise the work. The efficient manager is Mr. Langmuir, a recognized authority on all that pertains to this line of industry and a man of marked executive ability. Their immense factory and warehouses are eligibly located at Nos. 800 to 820 King street west, and anybody paying a visit to these works will find a vast emporium of mechanical industry, thoroughly furnished in every department and complete in every detail, with all the trade appliances that inventive ingenuity and mechanical skill have devised for facilitating perfection and despatch in the manufacture of the company's far famed specialties of high standard. No better goods are produced anywhere. The utmost skill and care are exercised in all the methods of manufacture to improve the quality and enhance the value of the output in every conceivable way. As a result the highest degree of perfection is attained, which serves to stamp the managers as gentlemen of sound judgment and thorough business sagacity. Steady employment is given to upwards of two hundred skilled hands, and the annual products aggregate a vast total. The buildings included in the plant are three stories in height and cover two acres of ground, having a floor space of 68,000 feet.

### JOHN TAYLOR.

**O**NE of the oldest and best known manufacturers of fine cigars in Toronto is Mr. John Taylor, proprietor of the Union Cigar Factory, Nos. 105 and 107 Richmond street east. The business was established in 1861 by Mr. John Taylor and from the start has been successful and prosperous. In 1868 the business had grown to such proportions that a copartnership was formed, under the firm name of Taylor & Wilson, which continued until 1888, when it was dissolved and Mr. Taylor has since continued the business on his own account. The factory and salesroom occupy a three-story brick building, 40 x 70 feet in area, and bring into requisition upwards of fifty expert cigar makers. Fine cigars of superior brands are manufactured, among which are the "48th Highlander," "Our Superior," "Queen's Jubilee," "Bruno," "La Grandura," etc., which have long maintained an enduring hold on public favor and are in wide and increasing demand. Mr. Taylor exercises close personal supervision, from the selecting the leaf to the packing the

product, and his goods are noted for fine flavor, reliable stock, make and uniformity and have the reputation of being the best cigars on the market. Travelling salesmen are kept on the road and all orders are expeditiously filled. Mr. Taylor has been living in our city since 1857 and is thoroughly familiar with the history as well as the wants and requirements of our city. He is popularly known in the best commercial and financial circles and has always sustained a high reputation as a business man and citizen. Mr. Taylor is also a heavy importer of leaf tobacco, carries a large stock and supplies a widespread trade.

### FOSTER & PENDER.

**O**VER 5,000 square feet of smooth, polished floor space on one single floor—the ground floor on level with King street, devoted wholly to the immense display of carpets and rugs, and an almost equally vast show room on the second floor, containing the lace curtain and silk drapery exhibits. This may serve to convey some idea of the magnitude of the retail department of Messrs. Foster & Pender's great carpet and curtain establishment at 14 and 16 King street east, in Toronto. The firm has been in business some seventeen years, and during that time has developed a very large and successful wholesale trade in carpets, curtains and upholsterers' supplies, which extends throughout the Dominion. To distinguish the wholesale from the retail department of the business, the old firm name of T. G. Foster & Co. is retained. When the plans were being prepared for the erection of their new four-story double building at 14 and 16 King street east—in the heart of the shopping centre of the city—provision was made for opening the extensive retail business under the firm name of Foster & Pender, and this has grown beyond all expectations, being known far and wide as Toronto's New Carpet House, and possessing every advantage that naturally arises from its direct and intimate connection with the old established wholesale carpet business of T. G. Foster & Co. The members of the firm, Mr. T. G. Foster and Mr. David A. Pender, have been associated together since the house was founded, seventeen years ago, and are both practical men and recognized experts in everything pertaining to their business. The building of the firm is a notably conspicuous one among the large business structures on King street east, between Yonge and Victoria streets. It is forty-five feet wide and two hundred feet deep, and consists of four floors and a large bright basement. In addition to the excellent natural light obtained from the

high windows at both back and front and an immense skylight in the centre of the building, measuring 12 x 24 feet, which is open from the roof to the ground floor, the establishment is further equipped with three hundred incandescent lights. Every means has been provided on the largest scale to facilitate the intelligent and critical inspection of goods by purchasers. The brightly lit basement, which extends the length and breadth of the building, is stocked with mats, matting, linoleums, English oil cloths, cork carpets, window shades, etc. The ground floor and the next are almost wholly devoted to the retail department and are unsurpassed by any other house in Canada for the proper and convenient display of the treasures in fine carpets, curtains, silk decorative stuffs, trimmings, etc., which are imported by this firm for its retail trade. The wholesale departments occupy the remaining floors of the building. The aim of this house has been to lead with the latest and choicest productions of the best foreign makers. The firm are direct importers and exclusive representatives of some of the leading foreign manufacturers, and, with a ready command of ample capital, they have always been enabled to conduct business to advantage for their patrons. Among the special features of their trade are the facilities which they have for filling large orders for the interior furnishings of private residences, hotels, churches, halls and passenger steamboats. A large staff of trained workmen is employed by the firm expressly in this branch the year round. With the unexcelled equipments in every department of this establishment, its vast and continually changing and renewed stock, its extensive trade relations with the largest manufacturers in the world, and the active personal attention of both members of the firm, this house has achieved and occupies a leading position in its line of business in Canada to-day.

#### FREEHOLD LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

THIS Company was established thirty-four years ago, and has had a remarkable degree of prosperity, while it has been one of the most important factors in promoting the development of the vast farming and dairying interests of Ontario and Manitoba. The Company's last annual report very clearly sets forth its strength and the judicious character of its business. Its assets now amount to \$6,292,167, of which \$1,319,700 represents paid up capital, with a splendid Reserve Fund of \$659,550, and a Contingent Fund of \$57,800. It has deposits of \$664,090; has issued currency debentures amounting to \$409,363; and sterling debentures to the amount of \$3,055,418. Interest and dividend accounts make up the balance of the assets. The Company's dividend earning powers are very great, its investments in

"gilt-edge" mortgages amounting to \$5,603,225, while it carries an average of \$350,000 in bank, and owns a magnificent new office building. The profitable character of last year's business is shown by the fact that the earnings amounted to \$374,030, and after deducting all expenses and paying two half-yearly dividends of four per cent. each, there remained the splendid surplus of \$31,979 to carry to Contingent Account. The Company's splendid building is located at the corner of Victoria and Adelaide streets, and is a great architectural ornament to the city. It is seven stories in height, with corner tower; the dimensions are 55 feet by 125, affording vast floor space. The material in the walls is principally a very handsome and durable sandstone. The interior is very handsomely fitted up in solid oak and cherry, and the building is lit by electricity, and has elevators and all modern improvements. Besides its own excellent accommodations, the Company has very superior offices to rent and has a most desirable class of tenants, and the building is a solid investment, alike profitable and creditable. The Company's securities are in demand both at home and abroad with experienced and conservative investors, as in the highest degree combining safety and profit, while the Company is a popular depository for special funds, and is in every way a credit to Toronto and its Directorate.

#### GURNEY FOUNDRY CO., LIMITED.

WITH what rapidity Canada is becoming a great manufacturing nation and how rapidly she is coming to the front in all departments of commercial activity is strikingly demonstrated by a hasty glance at a few of her mammoth industries in which vast capital and unlimited resources are employed. Notable among such is that operated by the Gurney Foundry Co., Limited, whose immense foundry, offices and warerooms are located at 474 to 530 King street west, forming one of the most extensive and perfectly equipped manufacturing plants on the American continent. This business is not only the largest, but the oldest in its special line in the country, its origin dating back to 1843, when the firm of E. & C. Gurney first commenced the manufacture of stoves in a small way. Forty years later The E. & C. Gurney Co., Limited, was incorporated, for during that period the business had steadily outgrown all its former limits and become one of most extensive and important manufacturing enterprises in the Dominion. Since 1883 the same remarkable growth and prosperity has marked its career, and during the present year a reorganization and incorporation was effected under the present style, with greatly increased capital and facilities, and to-day we have a colossal, industrial enterprise to which every true Canadian may point with pride. The enormous

plant now operated by the company consists of two modern brick buildings, three and five stories each in height, having a frontage on King street of six hundred feet and running back to Adelaide street for a distance of five hundred feet. The equipment is one of the most expensive and complete in the country and upwards of three hundred and fifty hands are given steady employment, exclusive of a large staff of clerks in the counting room. The list of products manufactured by this concern, of which the yearly output is enormous, embraces stoves, ranges and hollow ware of every description, hot water boilers, hot air furnaces, steam and hot water radiators,



cast iron, steam and soil pipe and fittings, grates and registers. The "Oxford" stoves and ranges manufactured by this company are to-day known the world over, consisting of "Countess of Oxford" high art base burner, "Duchess of Oxford" cast iron coal range, "New Oxford" wood cook range, "Oxford" hot air furnace, the "Oxford" hot water boilers and The John Bull Steel Line, made from the smallest domestic to the largest hotel. The offices and show rooms are elegantly fitted up, being finished in solid oak and conveniently appointed in every detail. The officers of the company are Edward Gurney, President; W. H. Carrick, Vice-President; F. F. Skinner, Treasurer; T. B. Alcock, Secretary; and Frederic Massey, Director; all names widely and favorably known in the leading business and financial circles of Canada. All the officers, with the exception of Mr. Skinner, who is an American, are Canadians by birth, and are universally recognized as ranking among our most progressive, energetic and able business men, highly esteemed and respected in the leading social and financial circles of Toronto.

## J. W. LANG &amp; CO.

THE wholesale grocery business of Toronto is one of the most important branches of trade, and Toronto houses have secured first place in the Canadian market. Messrs. J. W. Lang & Co., importers and wholesale grocers, whose office and warerooms are situated on the corner of Front and Church streets, are acknowledged leaders in the trade. This business was established in 1871, and has steadily increased in its volume until its annual output is second to none in Toronto. Mr. Lang has had long experience in Canada as well as in the United States, and this in addition to his being a cash



buyer in first markets enables the firm to offer substantial inducements to the trade. The warehouse occupied by the firm is a substantial four-story building, 75 x 125 feet, fitted up with every convenience for the working of a large trade. The stock carried is complete in every department, and includes everything pertaining to the staple and fancy grocery business. Special attention is given to the tea trade. This department being in charge of an experienced tea taster, whose duty it is to thoroughly test every line when purchasing as well as on arrival. In consequence of the special care given to this branch, the business of the house is yearly increasing in volume. The teas carried by the firm are most varied, and comprise Indian, Ceylon, China and Japan of all grades imported direct from the place of growth. The firm also do a large

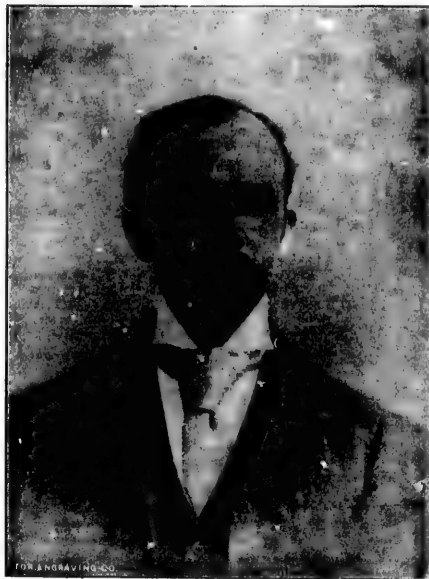
trade in fine liquors and cigars; in the latter the sales run up into millions annually. This branch is handled entirely separate from the grocery business. The trade of the house while being a large local one extends also to the Pacific; the western business being largely made up of car load shipments, many of which are sent out both spring and fall as well as sorting orders throughout the year. The firm do business also in the Peace River district where furs only are the currency of the country. This is the most northerly point where business can be done, yet this enterprising firm ship a lot of goods to this district. The office and sample rooms are most commodious, and fitted up with all the modern conveniences. A staff of fourteen clerks with assistants are employed in the offices and warerooms, while the outside interests are in charge of 12 experienced travellers who are constantly on the road turning in business. Mr. Lang came to this country from the north of Ireland while quite young, and has spent nearly the whole of his life in Toronto. He has secured for his firm a reputation for fair dealing so much so that a large amount of business is done by mail in the way of confidential orders. These receive personal attention and invariably prove to the entire satisfaction of the customer.

## ATLAS LOAN CO.

ONE of the leading and most reliable corporations in Toronto is that known as the Atlas Loan Company, of which the Hon. R. Harcourt (Provincial Treasurer, Toronto) is President. The office is located in the Canada Life Building. This extensive and prosperous business was established in St. Thomas in 1887, under the title of the "St. Thomas Loan Co.," which was succeeded in 1891 by the Atlas Loan Company, Mr. A. E. Wallace being the popular and energetic manager. The business of the company is strictly confined to loans on first-class mortgages on productive real estate in Ontario, or on municipal debentures. The offices are handsomely furnished and the authorized capital of the concern amounts to \$2,000,000 and the subscribed capital \$1,000,000. The company's St. Thomas branch is at 583 Talbot street, and the following are the bankers, viz.: In Canada, Imperial Bank, Ontario Bank, Bank of Ottawa, Union Bank of Canada, and the National Bank of Scotland, Great Britain. Mr. A. E. Wallace, the manager, is an able and conservative financier, who possesses an intimate knowledge of every detail of banking and finance. He was born in Canada, and is a prominent Oddfellow and member of the A.O.U.W., and is known throughout Toronto and vicinity as an able gentleman, well deserving of his success, and honorable in all transactions, and a credit to the enterprise he represents.

## A. J. McLEAN.

ONE of the most popular and widely patronized merchant tailoring establishments in this city well deserving mention is that of Mr. A. J. McLean. Mr. McLean has had an extended experience cutting and making gentlemen's wearing apparel, and embarked in business on his own account in 1885 at 372 Queen street west. The large custom he soon secured proved the sagacity of the venture and he was compelled some



months ago to seek more commodious quarters, and removed to the splendid store now occupied at 410 Spadina avenue. Mr. McLean carries a full stock of imported and domestic woollens, suitings, trouserings, cloths, etc., in all the new styles made popular by the decrees of

fashion, and cuts and makes suits, overcoats, etc., to order in a superior manner, guaranteeing in all cases a perfect fit and first-class workmanship. No goods leave his establishment without undergoing his careful inspection, and he will always be found correct, painstaking and untiring in his attentions to please all favoring him with patronage. Mr. McLean was born and raised in Canada. He is deservedly successful as a business man and among his permanent patrons are many of the best dressed men in the city. Samples and self-measurement card sent on application.

### AIKENHEAD HARDWARE CO.

**A**N old pioneer business in the hardware line in Toronto is that now controlled by the Aikenhead Hardware Company, of which Mr. T. E. Aikenhead



is manager. The business dates back to 1830 when the firm of Ridout Bros. was established; afterwards the firm became Ridout, Aikenhead & Crombie, and on the retirement of Mr. Ridout the business was carried on by Aikenhead & Crombie. At the beginning of the present year the style became as at the

present, the Aikenhead Hardware Company. The company are to-day one of the largest and most influential in their line of business, being extensive importers, wholesale and retail dealers in builders' and general hardware, machinists' and carpenters' tools, bar iron and steel and fine table and pocket cutlery. The offices and salesrooms of the company are located at 6 Adelaide street east, and occupy a fine three-story and basement building, 25 x 140 feet in dimensions, heavily stocked with a fine assortment of hardware and tools of every description, bar iron and steel, pocket and table cutlery of the best foreign and domestic manufacture. The leading specialties handled by the company and of which they are sole agents are Coburn Patent Trolley Hangers, for parlor, barn and fire-house doors. Bardsley's Patent Wood Door Knobs, Norton Door Check and Spring, Valentine's Felt Weather-strip, Iron Stable Fittings, Fairbanks' Scales and Kasper's Oat Cleaner. Besides a large local wholesale and retail patronage the company control an extensive wholesale trade throughout the Dominion, and the reputation enjoyed by this old established concern is second to none in Canada for the superior quality of the goods handled and its honorable and upright business methods. Mr. T. E. Aikenhead is one of our most energetic and popular business men, who during his long business career in this city has ever pursued a policy marked by liberality, probity and the strictest honor. He is a Canadian by birth and is held in the highest esteem by a large circle of patrons and friends.

### GEORGE McPHERSON

**F**EW business establishments in the city of Toronto have attained the prominence that distinguishes the house of Mr. George McPherson, dealer in art footwear, at 186 Yonge street. This flourishing business was established twelve years ago by Messrs Kennedy & Co., who conducted it till 1891, when Mr. George McPherson became sole proprietor. He has always aimed to draw the finest class of customers to his establishment, and has

spared no pains or expense to carry out his purpose. Combining long experience in the shoe business with excellent discrimination in the matter of taste, he has been able to most successfully cater to the wants of Toronto's best citizens in the matter of fine footwear and fully satisfy the most fastidious with the artistic make-up and quality of the goods in this establishment. Mr. McPherson occupies three spacious floors and a basement, each being 75 x 30 feet in area. The premises are elegantly equipped, and the stock carried, which is the finest and best in Toronto, is valued at \$50,000. No one can fail to be properly fitted out of the large and varied stock which is always carried in this popular establishment. Last year Mr. McPherson sold \$87,000 worth of goods and his prices in all cases are extremely moderate. In the stock will be found the Ladies' Footwear of John Foster & Co., the finest goods in the world, and in the men's line those of Edwin Clapp, which are admittedly



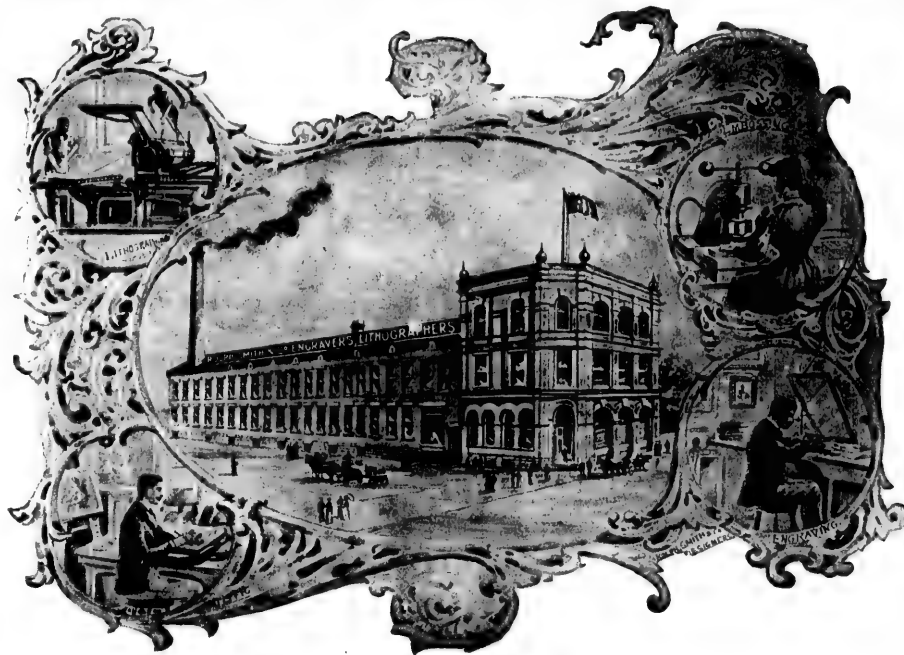
America's finest. Mr. McPherson came to Toronto from Hamilton, where he was for a long time part owner in the house of John McPherson & Co., shoe manufacturers. He is widely known in trade circles for his strict integrity and mechanical skill, and well deserves the abundant success that has followed his energetic efforts.

### ROLPH, SMITH & CO.

THE business of lithographing and engraving is one which calls for the exercise of a vast amount of skill and high artistic talent and has been brought to perfection by the representative houses of the Dominion. Among these a conspicuous place is occupied by Messrs. Rolph, Smith & Co., whose attainments in this interesting line have secured the enthusiastic encomiums of lovers of the art. The

establishment was founded in 1842, Messrs. J. T. Rolph, Frank Rolph and David Smith coming into control in 1870. The house to-day has an immense business of the best and most desirable character, commanding a widespread wholesale trade throughout Canada, extending from ocean to ocean. They are also extensive importing stationers, die sinkers and embossers. The gentlemen composing this firm bring to bear the highest qualifications for their duties, managing their

great business with a wisdom and enterprise that might be advantageously imitated by others less firmly established. The productions of this house are distinguished by a clearness and delicacy which stamp them as superior in those difficult, yet desirable, features, while in original designs or exquisite finish, their work is absolutely unexcelled by that of any other house in this line. All kinds of lithographing and engraving, book-plates, visiting cards, maps, plans, wedding invitations, show cards, cheques, drafts, bonds, certificates, etc., is executed in the highest style, much of which are worthy to be classed among real works of art. The premises located at Nos. 49-51 Wellington street west are of ample dimensions. They consist of a handsome and substantial three story and basement building, thoroughly equipped with all the latest machines and appliances pertaining to the industry, supplied with steam power and every convenience for the prosecution of the business. The ground floor front is used for offices, the second floor front for the departments of the lithographic artists, the third floor is devoted to embossing, and the rest of the building, which is 40 x 200 feet in dimensions, to the employees in the workrooms, 75 in number. All kinds of business and commercial engraving and lithographing are turned out promptly. The firm cuts the finest medal and other steel dies in Canada. They import great quantities of stationery from Europe and America, their inks and stones being imported from Germany, and a large and varied assortment is always kept in stock. Only the best and most desirable goods are handled, and the enormous growth of the trade in the past cannot but be regarded as a flattering testimony to the ability and worth of Messrs. Rolph & Smith. Skilled assistants are employed and the best methods are invariably followed, their aim ever being to produce the most artistic results, not only upon the old lines, but upon original and novel ideas which command the approval of the trade.





## EVANS AND SONS, LIMITED.

THE importance of Toronto as a great centre of the wholesale drug trade, is forcibly demonstrated by reference to the eminent House of Messrs. Evans and Sons, Limited, wholesale druggists, and drug grinders, whose salesrooms and offices are situate at 23 Front street, west. The Firm's headquarters and principal offices in Canada, are located at 37 to 49 St. Jean Baptiste street, Montreal; and the British Columbian agency is in Galpin's block, Government street, Victoria, B.C. This extensive and flourishing Business was established in Canada some fifteen years ago, by the brothers, John, Edward, William, and Alfred B. Evans, who are also the active partners in the large drug firms of Evans, Sons and Co., Liverpool, and Evans, Leecher and Webb, London, England. They also have agencies in France, in the United States, and in Australia. In Lime Fruit juice the firm may be said to be the world's purveyors. The whole produce of the Island of Montserrat passes through their hands, and they have vessels exclusively engaged in the service. In Montserrat alone is the Lime tree cultivated for the sole purpose of producing a pure and superior lime fruit juice. The great value of the juice as a health-giving and delightfully refreshing beverage can scarcely be over estimated, and the sales in Canada, and the States, of Messrs. Evans' special brand, "The Montserrat," are yearly increasing. In Liverpool, a large warehouse and a numerous staff are devoted entirely to the preparing and bottling of the juice; and the growth and extent of the industry would very considerably surprise anyone visiting and inspecting the premises. In Toronto, the business is carried on in a spacious four-story building, the first floor being set apart for offices, sample room, and for storing drugs, fine chemicals, and patent and proprietary medicines; the second, to druggists' sundries, sponges, high-grade soaps, and toilet brushware and requisites; the third, to druggists' glassware, herbs, roots and lozenges; while the basement is utilized for heavy goods, such as acids, glycerine, castor, olive and cod liver oils, and dyeing materials. For perfumes, French essences, toilet requisites, tooth, nail, hair brushes, and sponges, the firm are held in very high esteem; and they are sole agents in the Dominion for Savar's choice goods, J. & E. Atkinson's fine English perfumes, and Margerison's unequalled soaps. The unvarying quality and excellence of the firm's pharmaceutical preparations, and their well-known character for fair and liberal dealing, have placed them in the very first rank, and their trade now extends throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West Territory. Orders by mail, wire, or 'phone are immediately filled from stock, and tinctures, fluid and solid extracts, drugs, chemicals, and proprietary articles, are fully warranted

to be exactly as represented. It is truer, perhaps, of medicines than of most things, that "the best is the cheapest," and, while all the time believing in the "nimble nineness policy," nevertheless, Messrs. Evans always put quality before considerations of mere price. The drug trade, pre-eminently, is a trade of confidence; both doctor and patient are largely in the hands of the dispensing chemist, and the chemist himself must very greatly depend on the wholesale druggist. The constant and strict regard for high-class quality, and the persistent refusal to become makers of second-rate remedies, have established for the firm of Evans & Sons a world-wide reputation. Only the best and purest goods are handled,

and those which are not manufactured by the firm in Canada, are imported direct from their Liverpool and London laboratories and stores. The future prospects of the Toronto branch are most promising. Mr. Tom Waterhouse, a gentleman long and favorably known in the drug trade in England, for many years a member of The Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, and one of its Honorary Local Secretaries, has recently succeeded the late Mr. J. H. Pearce, as Manager; and under his able and courteous direction, we may confidently expect to see not merely an extension of business, but a yet closer bond of sympathy between this respected house and their numerous clients.





## CHARLES H. KEEFER.

THE leading and most successful civil engineer in the city of Toronto is Mr. Charles H. Keefer, whose office is located in the Manning Arcade, King street. Mr. Keefer commenced the practice of his profession twenty-four years ago, and eventually in 1888 opened his office in Toronto. He makes a specialty of waterworks,



water power and other hydraulic construction, and has had besides a large experience both in Canada and the United States in exceptionally difficult railway location and construction, as well as waterworks, canal and harbor works, and the construction of railway and highway bridges. The following are Mr. Keefer's references, viz.:—Col. Sir Casimir S. Gzowski, A.D.C., Past President Canadian Society Civil Engineers; Thos. C. Keefer, C.M.G., Past President American Society Civil Engineers; Oliver Barnes, C.E., Aqueduct Commissioner, New York Consulting Engineer; O. Chanute, C.E., Past President American Society Civil Engineers, Consulting Engineer, Chief Engineer Erie R.R.; John Kennedy, C.E., Chief Engineer, Harbor Commissioners, Montreal; Walter Shanly, C.E., ex-M.P., Consulting Engineer; P. Alex. Peterson, C.E., Chief Engineer, Canadian Pacific Railway, Montreal. Mr.

Keefer was born in Ottawa. He undertakes the construction of the most difficult and extensive works, and no more capable or honorable Civil Engineer can be found in the ranks of the profession.

## THE ROSSIN HOUSE.

THE site of this magnificent and spacious house has an interesting history. As early as 1832 a building was erected here, known as the "British Coffee House," and was conducted by a Mr. Cotter. After the rebellion of 1837, Mrs. Eliab took the management and opened it as the "Toronto Club," conducting a first-class place, for years after being the favorite resort of the leading men of the city, legislators, etc. The site became most central and highly desirable, and in 1852 Messrs. Marcus and Samuel Rossin built thereon the original Rossin House, at that time considered a remarkable piece of enterprise, and when it was finished the press was full of its description, it being conceded to be ahead of anything in Montreal or elsewhere. Mr. A. C. Josslen became the lessee. The house at once became the fashionable stopping place of all visitors to Toronto. In 1863 the present great edifice was completed. It is 208 x 206 feet in dimensions, substantially constructed of white brick and covering an area of just one acre. It is five stories in height and is one of the finest equipped hotels in America, having recently been remodelled and entirely refurnished throughout. The enlargement adds seventy-five elegant rooms, arranged *en suite*, and there are now over two hundred guest-rooms. The halls and offices are large, bright and handsomely furnished; the dining halls are commodious, with lofty ceilings, and are most elaborately frescoed and decorated. It is so directly central as to prove the most convenient stopping place in town, being but five minutes walk from the Union railway station and convenient to the steamboat wharves. Street cars running to all points in the city pass the door every three minutes, while all the big dry goods stores and most fashionable shops are on King street, the farthest only a few blocks away. Mr. A. Nelson, the genial proprietor, is a born "hotel man," and is a progressive and able business man, enforcing a thorough system of organization, catering most liberally for his guests and giving them comforts difficult to duplicate elsewhere in the Dominion. Mr. Nelson is universally respected, and Torontonians realize that one of the great attractions of their beautiful city is such a strictly high-class hotel as is The Rossin. Mr. W. A. C. Berrie, the chief clerk, is widely experienced, and with his staff are prepared to welcome guests at any hour and ensure their comfort. The tourist and business or professional man will consult their best interests by stopping at the Rossin House.

## THE J. E. ELLIS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE oldest and leading concern in the province devoted to the trade both at wholesale and retail in fine diamonds and precious stones, finest of jewellery and watches, sterling silverware, etc., is The J. E. Ellis Company, Limited. The business was established away back in 1836, when "muddy little York" bore but a faint resemblance to the present magnificent metropolis. The old house early acquired an enviable reputation for the excellence and beauty of its goods, imported direct, and its business grew apace with the growth of population. The concern was eventually in 1852 assumed by the late Mr. J. E. Ellis, as successor to the Rossin Brothers, and under his sound, judicious policy, the trade grew rapidly with an added reputation unsurpassed by any other house in Canada. Mr. Ellis continued the English and European connections of the old firm, and he and his successors have repeatedly extended their facilities, placing them second to none in regard to volume of trade and reputation for fair dealing. The steady growth of trade eventually resulted in the incorporation of the important interests under the existing title. Increased capital and exceptional facilities place The J. E. Ellis Company, Limited, far in advance of all competitors, and its stock is to-day absolutely unrivalled. With its close relations to the leading jewellery manufacturers of England and the continent, the company is justly noted for the fine quality of its goods, their artistic merit and intrinsic excellence. The company's present enlarged premises enable them to carry and display to best advantage their truly magnificent stock. It includes the choicest movements in watches from the most celebrated makers of London and Europe, cased in modern styles, and really the most perfect form in which reliable watches have ever been offered to the Canadian public. They also carry the popular Waltham, Elgin and New Style Waterbury watches in all styles for ladies and gentlemen. This is headquarters for fine diamonds, the company importing large parcels of loose gems, of all standard sizes from half a carat up, and customers can pick their diamonds, as well as rubies, emeralds, sapphires, pearls, etc., and have them mounted in the establishment in any style to suit. In rich 14 and 18 carat gold jewellery the stock is enormous; all the new styles are shown, and the most fastidious can readily be suited. Sterling silver ware, clocks in fancy styles of marble, bronze, etc., bronzes and statuary, bric-a-brac, etc., can be seen here in profusion—all selected from leading makers' stocks, and sold at such moderate prices as to surprise the customer. The company has just issued a very complete and elegant catalogue, giving illustrations of many of the lines dealt in; prices are quoted in plain figures, and all goods are

guaranteed to be just as represented. Those needing anything in the above lines should send in their name for this beautiful catalogue, which will be promptly forwarded on application. In conclusion we cannot but congratulate Toronto on the possession of this honorable and flourishing old house, one that is in every way the leading representative in its line in the Dominion of Canada.

### THE TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

ONE of the most prosperous financial institutions of the Dominion is the Traders Bank of Canada. The Bank was organized and incorporated in 1883, with a paid up capital of \$607,400, the stock being subscribed by leading capitalists, merchants and manufacturers. The Bank is a great favorite with active business men, and has the accounts of many of the leading concerns in Toronto and throughout the Province. The last annual report, date June 30th, 1893, shows that after making provision for all bad and doubtful debts, crediting interest to date, etc., the net profits amounted to \$56,309.94, and adding the balance of profits from previous year, there was a total of \$61,194, from which dividends amounting to six per cent. per annum were paid, and \$20,000 added to the Rest Account, which now amounts to the very handsome sum of \$75,000. The increase in deposits, amounting to \$630,610, exceeded that of any previous year. The Bank's assets now amount to \$4,764,706, and its discounts of bills amounts on an average to slightly less than \$3,000,000, while call and short loans average from eight to nine hundred thousand dollars additional. Its deposits average \$3,225,000, while it has \$599,963 of notes in circulation. The Board of Directors is an exceptionally able and experienced one, as follows: Messrs William Bell (of Guelph), Wm. McKenzie (the President of the Toronto Street Railway, and who is also Vice-President of the Bank), C. D. Warren, W. J. Gage, John Drynan, J. W. Dowd, and Robert Thomson (of Hamilton). President Bell is very widely and favorably known in industrial and financial circles. Building up the leading concern of the kind in Canada, he is eminently well qualified to guide aright such a great financial institution as this. He has the valued support of Mr. H. S. Strathy as General Manager, a bank officer of vast practical experience. The Bank has sixteen branches throughout this Province. Its agent in Montreal is The Quebec Bank. Its foreign agents include the National Bank of Scotland in Great Britain, and the American Exchange National Bank in New York.

### MISS PATTINSON.

A MOST popular establishment in this city, at No. 404 Yonge street, is the fancy English and French millinery store of Miss Pattinson. It was first opened in 1879 by Mrs. Gardner, who conducted a successful business. Miss Pattinson carries a large and varied assortment of straw and felt hats and a large line of fancy trimmings. She is also prepared to do dyeing and cleaning of millinery goods on the shortest possible notice and after the best known style of the art. For this work reasonable charges prevail. Miss Pattinson is an expert in the making and hat trimming line, and is possessed of the highest order of taste as to what is not only becoming but elegant in the millinery trade. She follows fashions closely, and no lady need be out of fashion if she will consult the taste of Miss Pattinson, nor need one wear a hat or bonnet that is ill-becoming. In this store will be found at all times the best modes in both trimmed and untrimmed hats and bonnets, and also a great variety of ribbons, flowers, plumes, etc. A fine display of these goods is to be seen at all times. Moderate prices rule for first-class goods, and very many of the best people in the city are her patrons. Through her long experience in the business Miss Pattinson has gained special commendation from the public at large. Her spacious premises comprise two flats 30 x 18 feet, affording every convenience for carrying on trade and the prosecution of her prosperous and growing business.

### J. TASKER.

THE establishment of Mr. J. Tasker, baker and confectioner, occupies spacious and commodious rooms at No. 270 Queen street west, corner Beverley street. The business was established in 1887 by the present proprietor and has been conducted most successfully. The premises occupied are elegant and the store is handsomely fitted up and specially arranged for the business, which enables Mr. Tasker to display his goods to great advantage. He is a practical baker and confectionery manufacturer, and is so known in Toronto. In both the manufacture of confectionery and in the baking of bread, cake, and also that of pastry baker, he has no equal, nor are his products equalled for their excellence in the city. Both the products of the bakery and confectionery are admittedly of the first and purest quality. Mr. Tasker makes a specialty in elegant wedding cakes, and is always prepared to furnish parties and private families with any kind and design of cake on short notice, and at favorable

prices, being splendidly equipped for the business. He also manufactures ice cream and summer beverages in large quantities through the season and of such very excellent quality that he has established a splendid



patronage in both. Mr. Tasker does a large business and has the custom of the best people. In no respect is his products second to those of any competitor in the city, but as a matter of fact they lead all others. Mr. Tasker has been a resident of Toronto for some years and has the high esteem of all acquaintances.

## A. &amp; S. NORDHEIMER.

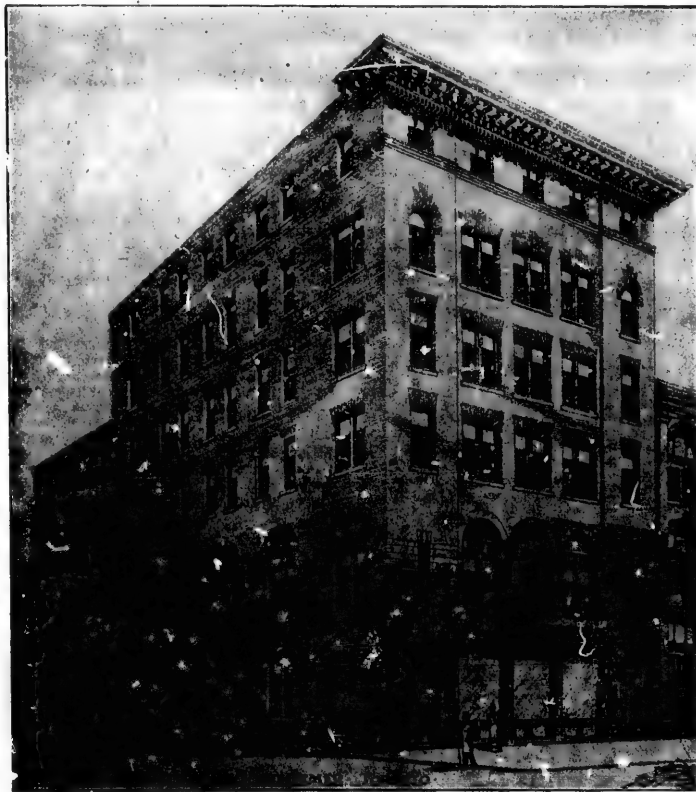
THE well-known house of A. & S. Nordheimer, Toronto, are the pioneers of the music trade in Canada.

Mr. Abraham and Samuel Nordheimer, its founders, were born in Bavaria, Germany, and are descendants of an old ancestral family whose members for two hundred years have filled high social, political, professional and mercantile offices. An elder brother, Dr. Nordheimer, a great literary and oriental scholar of great European reputation, who accepted a professorship in the University and Theological Seminary of New York city, was the means of bringing the younger brothers to this country. Mr. Abraham Nordheimer, being an excellent musician, was induced to follow his profession, while his brother Samuel accepted a position in the well-known dry goods house of A. T. Stewart & Co. While on a visit to New York, General Torrence, in command of Her Majesty's troops in Canada, met Mr. Nordheimer and was so favorably impressed with his great musical ability that he finally induced him to come to Kingston, then the capital of Canada, and give musical tuition in the family of Sir Charles Bagot, the Governor-General, and other leading families, and in this old, historic town, shortly afterwards, he organized in connection with a piano and music room the first musical society formed in Canada, which he himself conducted. Some three years later his younger brother was prevailed upon to follow him to Canada, much to the regret of his employer, Mr. Stewart, who had taken quite a liking to him, and to the day of his death maintained a friendly correspondence with him. His arrival in Kingston was the occasion of the founding of the music house of A. & S. Nordheimer, though the headquarters of the firm were afterwards established at Toronto, with branches at Montreal, Quebec, London, Kingston and Hamilton. This was in 1843, and since that period this firm has been the leading factor in the musical education of the people of Canada, in the organization and support of musical societies and clubs and in other ways advancing the musical interests of the community. They were the first to erect music halls in Toronto and Montreal, thus greatly beautifying those cities. In 1860 Mr. Abraham Nordheimer died while travelling abroad, and his son, Mr. Albert Nordheimer, a young man of excellent business ability and a finished musical education, took his father's place in the firm and has since been a great acquisition to the same, a large share of the business management falling upon his shoulders. In 1878 the Canadian government placed a duty upon all pianos brought from the United States, raising the prices of



NORDHEIMER BUILDING, KING STREET FRONTAGE

imported instruments from one to two hundred dollars. Mr. Nordheimer was at that time handling only leading American makes of pianos, the Steinway and the Chickering, whose world-wide reputation is so well known as to need no further comment. In 1880 the Messrs. Nordheimer started to manufacture pianos, and since that time the Nordheimer piano has not only been endorsed by leading musicians, but is to be found gracing the drawing-rooms of many of the leading citizens of Canada. The wonderful success of this house, giving rise to an imperative necessity for larger accommodations and a desire on the part of the management to have their manufacturing and other interests more closely united, resulted in plans for the present large double structure, consisting of two large buildings joining each other, one facing on King, the other on Colborne street. A representative of the Musical Times visited the building. It is one of the most imposing business edifices in the city of Toronto, being six stories in height and over two hundred feet in length. The architectural design and finish is in English renaissance. The front is of Ohio stone and pressed buff brick, with iron balconies and projecting corners. The show window is full plate glass. The main entrance is finished in white marble and mahogany. The ground floor is an open vista leading to the grand staircase in the centre of the building. This staircase has a very wide approach, with a landing near the bottom where the stairs divide and leave a space which will be utilized as a private office, and lighted by handsome stained glass lights. A feature of the ware-rooms is a gallery, opening into the floor above, handsomely panelled and surmounted by a balustrade. At the top of the grand staircase you pass over a panelled bridge into recitation hall, which has a seating capacity for three or four hundred people. Opening into this hall are musical parlors, where the various styles of pianos handled by the firm can be seen. The third floor will be used as warerooms, and the fourth will be given up to artists' studios, and will be occupied by the leading musicians of Toronto, the majority of them having already been secured. The fifth and sixth floors will be devoted to second-hand instruments, repairing, etc. The rear building will be used exclusively for manufacturing purposes. It contains two hoists running from basement to top of building. The entire premises are heated by steam and lighted by electricity. Mr. S. Nordheimer has been for many years president of the Philharmonic Society, and also connected with a number of the principal moneyed institutions of Toronto. His suburban residence, "Glen Edith," consisting of a park of forty acres, is situated on an eminence commanding a view of the city, Lake Ontario and the Niagara Falls. Mr. Nordheimer is consul for the German Empire.



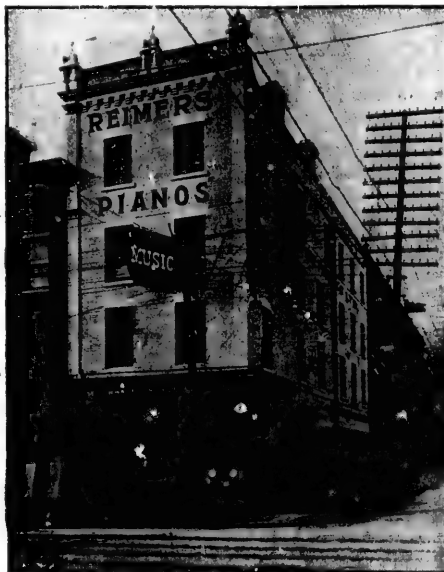
NORDHEIMER BUILDING, COLBORNE STREET FRONTAGE.

## QUEEN CITY OIL WORKS.

**A**MONG the firmly established, reliable and representative business concerns which have manifested such a worthy and legitimate spirit of enterprise in the development of the industrial and commercial interests of Toronto, pre-eminently stands the Queen City Oil Works, known the country over as manufacturers and proprietors of numerous famous brands of lubricating and burning oils, whose head office is located at No. 30 Front street east. This is the largest house in its line in the Dominion, doing the greatest wholesale and jobbing business in their specialties, extending all throughout Canada from Halifax to Vancouver Island. The style of the firm is Samuel Rogers & Co., and the business was established in 1878 by Mr. Rogers, to whose untiring energy and great ability is due the brilliant success and prosperity of the house. The Queen City Oil Works are recognized as the leader in the important development of the processes requisite to the production of thoroughly reliable and superior oil, and its successful efforts have served to maintain it steadily in the van of progress. Messrs. Rogers & Co. are especially prominent as sole proprietors and manufacturers of the Peerless oils and greases, while they also deal largely in oils of all kinds. The "Peerless" oils have invariably been awarded gold medals wherever and whenever they have been placed in competition with other brands. Messrs. Rogers & Co., in fact, have built up a solid and enduring reputation on the basis of fine goods. They have never desired to enter into competition with low grade, inferior oils, which are a constant source of annoyance and danger to consumers, and this may be considered as one of the secrets of their success—a clear knowledge of the fact that the best always pays in the end, both for the buyer and seller. Their cylinder, engine, dynamo and other oils have stood the test of years and have been pronounced by the largest consumers to be the best extant for utility and economy. A splendid stock of these oils is kept on hand, from which the largest orders are filled promptly and satisfactorily. The business methods of Rogers & Co. have been marked by integrity, increasing activity and sound judgment. The house has kept abreast of the times, and has easily kept in the van in meeting the most active demands of the trade.

### WHALEY, ROYCE & CO.

THE representative and, in fact, the only house in its special line in Canada is that of Whaley, Royce & Co., importers and manufacturers of musical instruments, and engravers, printers and publishers of all kinds of sheet, band and orchestra music. The business was established in June, 1887, by the firm of P. W. Graham



& Co., at the corner of Wilton avenue and Yonge street. In 1888 Messrs. Whaley, Royce & Co. purchased the business, and a year later, on account of the rapid increase in the business, were compelled to remove to the present location, 158 Yonge street. The premises consist of a commodious five-story brick building, 22 x 77 feet in dimensions, and which has been recently

remodelled throughout and is now the most complete of any house in the Dominion, the basement being used for lithographing and printing music, the ground floor the retail department, sheet music and music books, and offices; the first flat, stock and sample room; second flat, Imperial band instrument manufactory, music engraving, electroplating in all its branches, together with flats of adjoining building (156 Yonge street); the

Du,lex drum factory; third flat, musical merchandise, trimmings, and store rooms for surplus stock of sheet music, music books, etc.; the fourth flat being used for shipping, packing, and the stock of large instruments; the whole covering upwards of 10,000 square feet of floor space. The plant is equipped with all the latest improved machinery and appliances operated by electric motors from their own plant. The firm operate the finest outfit for electroplating band instruments in the country, and regularly employ upwards of twenty-seven skilled mechanics and two travelling salesmen. In July, 1893, they bought out Reimers' piano factory at 48 Temperance street, where they employ in addition twenty-five men, manufacturing for the trade chiefly upright pianos, handsomely finished in rosewood, oak, cherry, walnut, ash, mahogany and birch. The tone of these pianos is not surpassed by any other manufacturers, and are general favorites among music loving people. Their celebrated Imperial band instruments are known throughout America, and their trade, which is chiefly a jobbing trade with the small dealers, extends from one end of the Dominion to the other. Messrs. Whaley and Royce are both natives of Canada, Mr. Royce having been born and raised in Toronto, and Mr. Whaley near Acton, Ont. Both are enterprising and energetic young business men, who give close personal attention to every detail of their business, and are highly respected in trade circles for their honorable and upright business dealings.

### EASTMURE & LIGHTBOURN.

AMONG the most successful of the representatives of great insurance companies in Canada, Messrs. Eastmure & Lightbourn deserve prominent mention. The firm is composed of Arthur Lionel Eastmure and Francis Joseph Lightbourn, both long residents in Toronto. Their general offices, Toronto street, Toronto, a handsome suite having substantial fittings of panelled oak, occupy a central position in that portion of the business district devoted chiefly to insurance, banking, loan and legal interests. Here also are the head offices in Canada of the Lloyds Plate Glass Insurance Company

of New York, of which they are Dominion chief agents. The branches specially conducted are Accident, Employers' and General Liability, Plate Glass, Fire and Guarantee, and in each of these, excepting Fire, the firm's agency connections extend all over Canada. The Companies at present represented are the Lloyds, Caledonian Fire, London Guarantee and Accident, and the Travelers, of Hartford, all well known and of the first rank. Mr. Eastmure was born in Greenwich, England, in 1852, coming with his relatives to this country ten years later. He was educated at Sherbrooke, Bishops' College, Lennoxville, and at Montreal. After devoting a year to newspaper work, the foundation of the firm's present business was commenced in 1880. Removing to Toronto in 1887, Mr. Eastmure for some years gave exclusive attention to the Ontario field, and in 1890 the present firm name was adopted. Mr. Lightbourn, a native of Bermuda, formerly of the head office staff of the Imperial Bank, becoming a partner. Mr. Lightbourn is a son of A. H. Lightbourn, Esq., of Beverley street, Toronto, and Sunnyside, Oakville. He is a brother of Edmund T. Lightbourn, Manager of the Ontario Loan & Investment Co., and of the late A. G. Lightbourn, of Messrs. Walton & Lightbourn, Victoria street. Both are prominent in social and athletic circles, being actively connected with the Argonaut, Victoria and Athenæum Clubs, The Island Amateur Aquatic Association, St. George's Society, etc. They are members of the Anglican Church, Mr. Eastmure being one of the auditors and a sidesman of All Saints', Sherbourne street. He has been a member of the Toronto Board of Trade for some years. The standing of the firm in financial and business circles is excellent.

### OAK HALL.

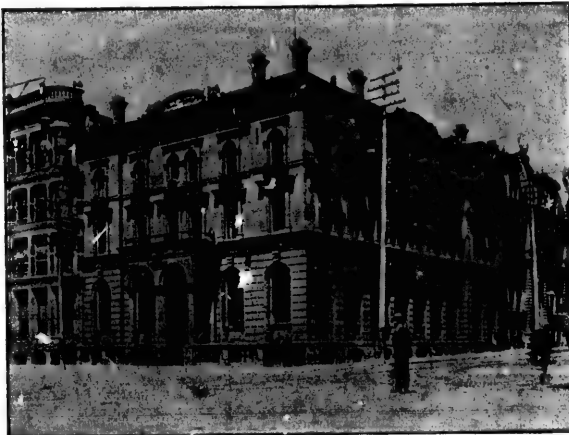
CONSPICUOUSLY attractive among the many fine large business structures of Toronto is the new Oak Hall building, directly opposite St. James' Cathedral, covering the four numbers, 115, 117, 119 and 121 King street east. The Oak Hall Clothing House in Toronto was founded about a quarter of a century ago on the identical spot where this great retail clothing business is conducted to-day, and the old building in its way was just as unique in style and as attractive in its day as the larger and more imposing new edifice which has taken its place. The Oak Hall Clothing House of Toronto, as is well known, is one of the large retail depots of the world-famous W. E. Sanford Manufacturing Company (Limited), founded by the Hon. W. E. Sanford, Senator, in 1858, having its headquarters and immense manufacturing establishments in Hamilton, and maintaining extensive wholesale branches in Winnipeg, and Victoria, B.C. The retail depots of this great clothing manufacturing concern in

Ontario are known as the Oak Hall Clothing Houses, one being located in Windsor, another at St. Catharines, a third at Hamilton, still another at London, while the largest of the five is the famous Oak Hall Clothing House of Toronto. These retail branches are the leading clothing establishments in their respective localities and, owing to the direct and intimate connection with the great wholesale manufacturing concern—admittedly the largest in Canada—each one of them possesses the advantage of an extent of stock, variety of patterns, and a one-price figure so close to the actual first cost of material and expert and reliable workmanship, that any fair competition in quality and price with Oak Hall clothing is clearly impossible. The immense retail business in Oak Hall clothing is wholly the result of this acquired ability to supply the public with reliable, stylish and well made garments at the mere profit over the cost of making them. The advantage enjoyed by those who buy Oak Hall clothing exists in the fact that the largest maker buys material at more favorable prices, because he buys in immense quantities at a time. He employs and can afford to employ the very best cutters on the continent, which assures perfect fitting garments, and there is the further desirable features associated with trading at Oak Hall, in that the customer is brought almost into direct contact with the maker, because he buys his clothing at the maker's retail store. The great popularity of this plan of business is evidenced by the tremendous growth of the retail trade of Toronto's Oak Hall. Its patrons comprise the intelligent majority of the community who are particular about the quality, style, fit and finish of the garments they buy, and who have learned to appreciate the Oak Hall one-price and the reliable character of Oak Hall clothing through the years of their patronage at this standard old clothing house. One of its leading features is its immense department for youths' and boys' suits. In this alone Oak Hall enjoys a distinctive reputation which almost amounts to fame. A picturesque architectural style distinguishes the new Oak Hall Building from any other in Toronto. It is four stories high, with a high, central tower and two smaller towers at each corner. The entire front is of iron, with large plate glass windows; the plate in the show windows on the ground floor being the largest ever imported into Canada. A wide, lofty entrance leads into the stores, and the centre of this entrance is centered on a bee-line with the entrance of St. James' Cathedral across the way. Twelve gigantic figures of historic interest, cast in bronze and imported expressly for this building, embellish its front. The ceilings within are of unusual height, and exceptionally good light is assured with the large windows in front and back and the great skylight in the centre. In the evening the stores are brilliantly illuminated with electric lights. Every con-

venience is provided for the comfort of Toronto's Oak Hall patrons, and their requirements are served by the same large staff of gentlemanly salesmen which has been with this house almost from the day it began business nearly a quarter of a century ago. The establishment is under the management of Mr. Robinson Pirie, and every detail connected with this vast business has his active, personal supervision.

### THE BANK OF TORONTO.

THIS bank was duly organized and incorporated in 1855, and its capital stock of two millions of dollars has always been held at a high premium, as one of the safest of investments. At the present time its stock is



held at about an average of 240 to 250 per cent., buyers offering 235 with no sellers. The affairs of the bank are in a most prosperous condition; its business shows a steady annual increase, and the last yearly report is one that reflects the highest credit upon the management. The assets on May 31st, 1893, amounted to \$14,417,160, while the deposits aggregated the splendid sum of \$8,758,967, thus being more than four times the capital. The items of loans and bills discounted amounted to \$11,938,

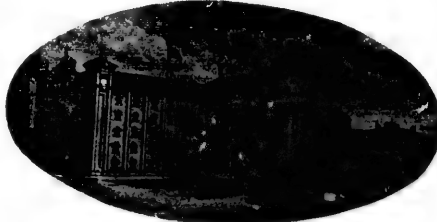
510, thus insuring the great income which this institution is noted for. Last year the net profits, after making full provisions for all losses, deducting interest and expenses, were \$284,997, to which adding the previous balance at profit and loss of \$38,983 made \$323,981, from which dividends aggregating ten per cent. were declared; \$100,000 was added to the Rest account, and \$23,981 carried forward. The Rest now amounts to the magnificent sum of \$1,800,000. The bank has \$1,382,553 of notes in circulation. The excellence of the management and the desirable class of its customers is shown in the fact, that the bank last year only had \$4,242 of overdue debts, and for each of the last five or six years, less than \$6,000 has been overdue at statement. The bank has placed its branches most judiciously in large and prosperous cities and towns

only, two being in Montreal, the other twelve in this province. Its connections are of a very desirable character, its agents in London, Eng., being The City Bank (Ltd), and in New York, the National Bank of Commerce. Collections are promptly made on all points, exchange is bought and sold, letters of credit issued, and every legitimate facility accorded customers. The Board of Directors is pre-eminently a representative one, and under President Gooderham's guidance, the bank has been exceptionally prosperous, and he is recognized as one of Canada's ablest financiers. Mr. Duncan Coulson, the General Manager, has had vast experience, and brings to bear special qualifications for the onerous post. He has the valued support of Mr. Hugh Leach as Assistant General Manager, and Mr. J. Henderson as Inspector. The bank's building is a very fine structure, valued at a low estimate at \$120,000. The dimensions are 50 x 125 feet, and the counting room and offices are exceptionally commodious and well arranged, affording every facility for the transaction of business, and the bank is in every respect a model financial institution, and in a marked degree illustrates the result of a consistent adherence to a sound and conservative policy. It is one of the most solidly prosperous banks in the Dominion, and is deservedly popular with the active business men, and among its depositors are found many of the leading concerns in Canada.



### THE TORONTO BREWING AND MALTING CO.

IN reviewing the brewing and malting trade of Canada, the publishers of this work have taken special pains to give due prominence to those concerns whose products have achieved far more than a mere local or material renown, but are to-day widely known in foreign countries as being equal, and with few exceptions far superior, to those of all other rival institutions. Canada to-day is surpassed by no other country for the fine quality of its ales, and this fact has been fully demonstrated after a fair and just competition, where the highest awards have been given Canadian ales in preference to all other competitors. The Toronto



Brewing and Malting Co., Ltd., is one of the largest and most important of Toronto's famous breweries, and the ales, porter and half-and-half bearing the trade mark of this company are well known and in constantly increasing demand from one end of Canada to the other. The company was incorporated in 1874, with a paid up capital of \$100,000. The brewery itself is one of the oldest in the country, the first brewery having been built by Mr. John Aldwell in 1846. Since the present company assumed control they have almost entirely rebuilt the old plant and made many improvements, as well as equipped the brewery with the latest improved machinery and appliances. The premises have a frontage on Simcoe street of 360 feet, on Anderson street of 120 feet and on William street of 180 feet, the main building being a six-story brick structure, used as the malt house, with a capacity of 170,000 bushels of malt per annum. The brewery is a large four-story brick building, containing immense brew kettles, ice machines, pump, etc., and having several cellars, each 60 x 140 feet in dimensions, where an enormous quantity of ale, porter and half-and-half is stored, both in barrels and bottles,

always at even temperature. Upwards of seventy hands are regularly employed in the various departments. The storage capacity is 500,000 gallons of ale, porter and half-and-half. Only the choicest picked hops and the finest grade of malt are used, and under the watchful eye of expert brewers are submitted to the latest improved and most scientific process, with a result that the products of this brewery have become very popular with the best class of trade throughout the Dominion, and the demand is constantly increasing, requiring the constant enlargement of facilities to keep pace with the growing patronage. The officers of the company are Alex. Manning, President, Hume Blake, Vice President, and Robert Sewell, Secretary, and W. I. Thompson, General Manager. The President of the company, Mr. Alex. Manning, is one of our most prominent, influential and highly esteemed citizens, having been twice elected mayor of Toronto, the first time in 1873 and again in 1885, and is universally acknowledged on all sides to have been the most popular and efficient executive that Toronto ever had. He is one of our ablest and most progressive business men, a typical Canadian and heartily in accord with all that pertains to the lasting growth and prosperity of our beloved city. He is ably assisted by the remaining officers of the company, who are energetic and wide-awake business men.

### EDMUND BURKE.

THIS gentleman has a wide reputation for skill and ability for the originality of the buildings he has designed and erected in Toronto and vicinity. He has had a valuable experience and was a pupil of Gundry & Langley, the well known architects. On the death of Mr. Gundry he formed a partnership with Mr. Langley and designed many of the handsome buildings, churches and residences that adorn the city; among these the Jarvis street Baptist Church, Old St. Andrews and Sherbourne street Methodist Churches, Trinity Methodist Church, Dunn Ave. Methodist Church, College street and Walmer Road Baptist Churches, warehouse for Macdonald & Co., stores for Geo. Peers on Yonge St., the Union Loan and Building and Loan Office buildings, Baptist College, Bloor street, residences of Robt. Simpson, D. E. Thompson, H. S. Ward, Jas. Caruthers, J. L. Blaikie, Henry Darling, Edgar Jarvis and many others. The firm was dissolved in August 1892 and Mr. Burke assumed the practice of the business of the late Mr. Storm, completing the new Victoria College designed by him. He has since continued the business and has furnished the plans and superintended the construction of the addition to the City Registry Office, the new Mor-

tuary Chapel at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery and the residences of A. E. Kemp & Co., C. J. Holman, Joseph N. Shenstone and V. D. Hall. All of these edifices stand as monuments of Mr. Burke's skill as an architect and need no eulogium at our hands. Mr. Burke is of Irish nativity and raised in Toronto and educated in the city schools and the Upper Canada College. He is widely known as an architect and looked upon as one of the best in the Province of Ontario. Mr. Burke's offices are at 18 and 19 Union Loan building on Toronto street.

### JAMES SCOTT & SON.

THE factors requisite to achieve enduring success in the dry goods trade are numerous. In conjunction with superior ability, a wide range of experience is essential, whilst to ample resources must be added influential connections and sound judgment. Toronto has always proved one of the best fields in the Dominion of Canada for the display of sterling enterprise and energy in the dry goods trade, and to-day there is no firm standing higher and exhibiting the aforementioned qualifications to better purpose than that of Messrs Jas. Scott & Son, whose extensive establishment is located at Nos. 91 and 93 King street east. This business dates its existence back to 1850, and deservedly takes rank among the oldest established, most deservedly popular and prosperous of its type in the Queen City. The premises occupied are extensive and comprise a superior three-story building 50 x 125 feet in dimensions, admirably subdivided into departments, all the prominent points in Toronto and her suburbs being brought within speaking distance by telephone. The interior of the establishment is elegantly fitted up and furnished with every appliance and facility for the manipulation and display of the exceptionally fine lines of goods carried and the general advantageous prosecution of the business. So far as the character and extent of the stock is concerned, it may be justifiably stated that it is unsurpassed by that of any other first-class establishment, and embraces a diversity of staple and fancy dry goods, which it is almost impossible to describe. We would just enumerate a few of the leading lines to be found in this very largely varied stock: curtains, drapery and upholstery goods; linen and cotton household goods, including all kinds of fine damasks; dress goods and silks; flannels of every description; hosiery and underwear for men, women and children; eider down goods, including quilts, pillows, etc.; wools and yarns in the best makes; English and Canadian blankets, etc., etc. A member of the firm visits the European markets twice in each year, thus ensuring right values and right styles. Polite and attentive sales-



men wait upon every customer, and it may safely be said that the trade of the house is broadly distributed from Nova Scotia to British Columbia. The high reputation of the house of Messrs. James Scott & Son is so familiar to the general public that further comments on our part would be simply superfluous, the firm having unquestionably built up its extensive trade on the sure foundation of equitable and honorable dealing in all transactions. Suffice it therefore to say, in concluding this brief sketch, that whatever is advertised by this responsible house is always to be found exactly as represented, consequently at any and all times implicit reliance may be placed in our statement that at the emporium of James Scott & Son purchasers always pay money for full money's worth. Personally Messrs. Scott are deservedly popular in both business and social circles and thorough-going exponents of Canada's great and growing dry goods industry. Mr. James Scott, the senior member of the firm, gives the business a general supervision, but being largely occupied with his duties as director of several of our leading financial and other institutions, he leaves the active management of the business to Mr. Robert F. Scott, the junior member of the firm.

#### MACWILLIE BROS.

AT 190 King east we find Messrs. MacWillie Bros., grocers importers and jobbers in bakers' supplies. Commencing in 1891 as successors to F. H. Hargrave, rapid increase has been the record and the annual turnover in the second year was nearly three times that of their predecessor. This result has been obtained chiefly because of the attention paid to securing the confidence of the public by furnishing them with the best of everything. Four branches of the business receive their careful attention; in the retail grocery business their aim is to secure the best; they are large importers of such goods as Lazenby's pickles, soups and sauces, Silver Pan marmalade, Van Houten's cocoa, Armour's meats, Baker's chocolate, New Orleans molasses. Their imports of the celebrated Menier chocolate is larger than that of any firm in Canada, west of Montreal. They are sole agents in Toronto for the celebrated Aytton butter which received gold medals wherever exhibited. Their sale of this article is very large. Then in the produce line an excellent outside connection enables them to supply the best of butter and new laid eggs, cheese etc. In bakers' and confectioners' supplies they are to the front in such specialties as drained peel imported by them in five ton lots from England and Scotland; cream tartar crystals of highest test imported from France, Sultana raisins from Smyrna, shelled nuts from Spain; in New Orleans molasses they hold the finest

sample it is possible to make; in lard and cotton-lene their trade is very large as the result of close buying in large quantities; in pickled eggs they supply the greater part of the local trade during the winter, their connection enabling them to supply an excellent article in that line. Twelve hands are employed around the premises, all of whom are interested in securing the confidence of those with whom they trade.

#### DAVIES BROTHERS.

ONE of the largest and most reliable concerns in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs. Davies Brothers, manufacturers and importers of Furniture and Upholstery, whose offices and salesrooms are at 231 and



233 Yonge street. This flourishing business was established seven years ago by the Messrs. Davies, who have since built up a liberal and influential patronage in the city and Ontario. They occupy a spacious four-story and basement building, 40 x 125 feet in dimensions, the first floor being devoted to chamber sets, cabinets, desks, etc.; the second, to parlor and upholstery goods; the third, to dining-room and library furniture, while the fourth floor is utilized for chamber sets and bedding, and the basement for storage, chairs and heavy goods. In rich upholsterings of parlor suites, fancy and dining room chairs, sofas, couches, lounges, rockers, etc., we have seldom seen such a comprehensive and beautiful display, a specialty being made of catering to the most refined

and fastidious taste in all that pertains to high art "and of-the-century" furnishing. Messrs. Davies spare no pains in this direction to meet the wishes of customers, and the custom of this establishment is hence naturally derived from the best classes of people in the province. The system which prevails in the entire establishment, in fact, indicates the most careful supervision, while the judgment and taste displayed in the selection of the stock proclaim that the proprietors are men of experience and thorough knowledge of their business, as a visit to their warerooms will amply evidence. Liberality and promptness have always characterized all the transactions of this house, and the success which has attended it for the past seven years is but the just reward of a systematized commercial policy, without which no permanent prosperity is possible. In a word, this establishment is a credit to the city of Toronto, both industrially and commercially, and more than worthy of mention in the pages of this statistical record and review.

#### THOS. M. SMITH.

THIS gentleman is a well known carpenter and builder and has his shop and office at 13 Oak street, near Parliament street. The business was established about one year ago and a flourishing trade of large dimensions has developed. His location is convenient and desirable, and he carries in stock a large quantity of all kinds of home manufactured goods in the way of window frames, door work and all appurtenances. He furnishes steady employment to a number of skilled mechanics in his line of industry. The machinery is run by electricity and he can turn out any amount of work with the greatest possible despatch. Mr. Smith turns out all kinds of wood-work and repairing of every character in the best possible style at moderate prices. He makes jobbing a specialty and furnishes estimates promptly on any kind of work in his line. Contracts for buildings are taken on best estimates and all plans and specifications carefully and fully adhered to. Mr. Smith is careful not to exceed estimates otherwise than necessitated from a change of plans by the party having the building constructed. He has long been practical in all the details of his line of business and always gives the greatest satisfaction in the execution of all contract and jobbing work. He not only carries a stock of house building materials of high grade, but the frames, doors, etc., which he keeps in stock ready made are of good materials. He guarantees good work. Mr. Smith has resided in Toronto for many years and is well known and enjoys the confidence of all who are acquainted with him. We confidently commend him and his work to those requiring anything in his line.

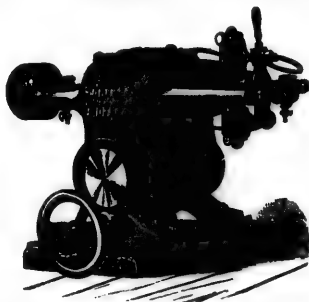
### MCKENDRY & CO.

ONE of the best patronized establishments in Toronto is McKendry & Co's dry goods and millinery emporium. It is a spacious, elegant and well-appointed store, having a fine plate glass front, 25 x 150 feet in dimensions, a truly metropolitan establishment, where every department is complete with the very latest novelties. Here is displayed an exceedingly fine assortment of everything coming under the general head of dry goods, from the cheapest calicoes to the most exquisite dress fabrics, and a superb line of Parisian millinery, including the newest styles and patterns in bonnets, hats and trimmings in great variety, remarkably low prices being quoted. No inferior article whatever enters the stock, in the selection of which unusual judgment is exercised, and patrons may feel assured of finding first-class goods and genuine bargains in all departments, as well as of receiving prompt and polite attention in every instance here. The business premises are well-ordered and tastefully fitted up throughout; everything about the establishment bespeaking order and excellent management, while upwards of one hundred clerks, sales-ladies, etc., are employed. The trade of the house being of both a wholesale and retail character, a very extensive and a stock is carried and systematically arranged in departments, comprising housefurnishings, rich silks, satins and velvets, fine cassimeres, dress goods and trimmings in great variety, beautiful cloaks, wraps, shawls and mantles, handsome suits, ribbons, laces and embroideries, mourning goods, undergarments, corsets and white goods, staple goods, cottons, ginghams, prints, muslins, sheetings, flannels, linens, etc., a specialty being made of fine imported Irish linen; also, gents' furnishings, notions, hosiery, gloves, parasols, fans, jewelry ornaments, toilet articles and fancy goods; while in the millinery department can be found hats and bonnets, both trimmed and untrimmed, in every shape, form or design; elegant plumes, feathers, flowers, plushes, silks, beads, and everything in the line of fashionable millinery goods. The house enjoys a large and influential patronage, mostly confined to the Province. This flourishing house was established in 1870, by the present proprietor, Mr. J. N. McKendry, running under the title of McKendry & Co., and during its existence its progress has been very marked having been conducted with gratifying success, which is mainly due to the high quality of goods offered to the public, combined with the lowest consistent prices; and also to the tireless energy and sterling integrity of Mr. McKendry. He deals with most of the Canadian markets, but gets his fancy goods and mantles direct from Europe, making regular trips there for that purpose. Mr. McKendry is a native of Ireland, and an esteemed resident of Toronto for the past sixteen years. He is an admirable type of

the self-made man, and cannot be accorded too great praise for his perseverance and enterprise, and finds himself to-day rewarded by the great prosperity that attends his house.

### TORONTO ELECTRIC MOTOR CO.

ELECTRICITY, as an illuminating and motive power, has daily grown in universal favor, and it is consequently not a matter of surprise that in all parts of the Dominion of Canada representative and substantial concerns are being rapidly organized to place before the public the simplest and most practical means of applying electricity to various purposes. In this connection



special reference is made in this Commercial Review to the progressive and reliable Toronto Electric Motor Company, Manufacturers of Dynamos and Motors, whose offices, etc., are situated at No. 107 Adelaide street west. This Company has been in existence but a short time, but with ample capital, the executive officers being Mr. J. C. McLachlan, Manager, and Mr. H. Albertson, Secretary. The Company occupies suitable premises and manufactures constant potential motors, dynamos for incandescent lighting and electro-plating, power generators, etc., and makes a specialty of repairing electric machinery of all kinds. The Company's Toronto motor meets the demand for practically constant speed, small cost of repairs, and the highest efficiency. It is extremely simple in construction, and the armature resistance so low that the speed is practically constant under all loads. These splendid motors are adapted for all purposes for which electric power can be used. The Company's Jenney Dynamos always maintain automatically a constant pressure, whatever the number of lamps

in circuit, without any adjustment of rheostat. Those who want their lamps to show a long life and show a uniform light to the end should obtain one of these unrivalled Jenney dynamos, which are general favorites wherever introduced. The Company's Jenney plating machines have overcome all difficulties and are unsurpassed for electro plating, electrotyping, etc. Orders are immediately attended to at very moderate prices, and estimates are furnished for all descriptions of motors, dynamos, etc. Messrs. McLachlan and Albertson are well-known throughout Ontario. Mr. Albertson was for several years Superintendent of Elliott's Implement Works, London, Ont., and also of the Automatic Mower Works, Chicago. In the latter concern he became an expert in electrical work. The Company is desirous that those interested should call and see their motors at work in several places in Toronto, where they are giving entire satisfaction, owing to their superiority and reliability. For information address 107 Adelaide street west, Toronto.

### NORTHROP & LYMAN CO.

FEW departments of commercial and industrial activity in Toronto are of greater importance to the community than that in which the practical manufacturing chemist brings to bear upon his professional skill and experience. In this connection we desire to refer specially to the representative and reliable concern known as the Northrop & Lyman Company, manufacturers, general agents and dealers in all kinds of patent medicines, whose office, salesrooms and laboratory are situated at 21 Front street west. This extensive business was originally founded at Newcastle in 1854, and eventually, in 1874, was removed to Toronto, and in 1883 the present Company was organized, with ample capital; Mr. H. S. Northrop being President, and Mr. John Lyman the Vice-President, and J. H. McKinnon, Secretary. They occupy a spacious four-story building 26 x 165 feet in area, with superior cellars, etc. The laboratory is one of the largest and best equipped in Canada, being supplied with the latest improved apparatus, appliances and machinery, operated by steam power. Skilled chemists are employed, who carefully supervise all operations in the laboratory. They manufacture dozens of standard patent medicines, also bay rum, perfumes, ointments, elixirs, etc. All goods bearing their brand are always recognized by the trade as standard productions, and are absolutely unrivalled for reliability, purity and uniform excellence. Orders are promptly and carefully filled at the lowest possible prices. The trade of the Company now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Seven travelling salesmen are employed, and all goods are fully warranted. Messrs. Northrop and Lyman were born in the United States.

### BARKER & SPENCE'S SHORTHAND AND BUSINESS SCHOOL.

THOSE who desire to obtain a thoroughly good business education, including all branches requisite to fill the most responsible positions, should call upon or communicate with Messrs. Barker & Spence's widely-known Shorthand and Business School, centrally located at 12, 14 and 16 King street west, Toronto. This successful business school was opened in 1890, and the average annual attendance is about 300. Pupils come from all sections of Ontario. This college is open both



during the day and evening, and affords the finest facilities for those desirous of becoming proficient in book-keeping, business arithmetic, shorthand, typewriting, correspondence, penmanship, and all the varied subjects that make up the curriculum of a first-class school of this kind. The charges for tuition are extremely moderate and well within the reach of the salaried clerk or assistant. Those who wish to take a full business course or perfect themselves in shorthand, or any other subject, should obtain full information from the Principals concerning the terms and regulations of this excellent institution. The proprietors have adopted the Isaac Pitman System of Phonography in their Business College. The Principal of their shorthand department is the gentleman whom Messrs. I. Pitman & Sons have selected to take

charge of their newspaper publications in Canada of the Isaac Pitman System, which places this school as a shorthand college in the front rank. The Principals are talented and expert accountants, one being a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario, which fact is a sufficient proof that their work will be of the very best. They have no trouble in placing their graduates in good positions, and the names of their influential Board of Examiners is given in their school announcement. They keep on hand full supplies of shorthand books and periodicals, reporters' note books and stationery, fountain pens, etc., and supply promptly verbatim reporters and experienced typewriters. The testimonials received by the Principals from many of our leading merchants, bankers and others reflect the highest honour on their methods of teaching, and their future prospects are of the most encouraging character. The Principals are well known residents of Toronto; Mr. Spence being a popular Orangeman, Secretary of Stevenson Masonic Lodge, and Noble Grand of Covenant I. O. O. F., also a Captain in the 34th Battalion.

### H. & C. BLACHFORD.

UNQUESTIONABLY the leading, largest and most popular footwear emporium in Toronto is that of Messrs. H. & C. Blachford, importers of English, French and American goods, and fashionable boot and shoemakers, at 83 to 89 King street east. This establishment was founded in 1864, by Mr. A. Blachford, and in 1870 came under the control of the present firm, who have since increased the stock, extended the trade and added many new customers to those left them by their predecessor. The premises utilized, a spacious, commodious store, 50 x 100 feet in area, is handsomely and attractively fitted up in modern style, all the surroundings being in perfect keeping with the character of the business. Polite clerks and assistants are always in attendance and every care paid to patrons. The stock of boots and shoes is the largest and finest to be found in the city and comprises everything in the line of footwear in all sizes and widths, for ladies, gentlemen, boys, misses and children, including the celebrated goods of such reputable American manufacturers as Geo. E. Barnard & Co., J. & T. Cousins, Baldwin & Lamkin, Hathaway, Soule & Harrington, and Canadian manufacture J. & T. Bell, and other houses of like celebrity. The firm also have a splendid assortment of slippers, outing shoes, fancy shoes and footwear especially adapted for cyclists, yachtsmen, oarsmen, baseball, cricket, tennis, croquet players, etc. These goods are all superior in every respect, fully warranted, and are sold at prices that defy competition. The custom department of this establish-

ment is a distinguishing feature, and the boots and shoes turned out are not surpassed in quality, style, and perfection of fit. The trade of the Messrs. Blachford is not confined to Toronto, but comes from all the surrounding cities and towns, and is not only large but of the most substantial character. Both members of the firm are men of enterprise and experience, and fully understand the wants of the trade, and are deservedly popular.

### TEETZEL & SMITH.

THE history of the prominent representatives of the merchant tailors' art in the City of Toronto would be incomplete without special mention of the progressive and reliable firm of Messrs. Teetzel & Smith, whose store is located at 145 Yonge street. This flourishing and steadily increasing business was established in 1885 by Mr. B. E. Teetzel, who eventually admitted Mr. F. M. Smith into partnership. Both partners are thoroughly practical and artistic cutters and tailors, who have built up an influential patronage, not only in Toronto, but also in Ontario. They devote their entire attention and ability to custom work, and the garments made by them are recognized by a critical public as perfect in style, fit and artistic workmanship. To seek their services once is to be their patron always. Among their permanent customers are many of Toronto's best dressed citizens, who thoroughly appreciate and understand the merits of a first-class tailor, who find in this establishment not only the best goods in the country, but also a place where the style and trimming of a garment is a matter of careful study. They employ constantly thirty first class tailors, and the prices for all work are extremely just and moderate. The store is well equipped and is fully stocked with the choicest imported suitings, broadcloths, vestings, overcoatings, serges, meltons, chin-chillas, etc., so that the most fastidious customer can readily be suited here. All the latest fabrics are obtained, and all orders are finished at the time agreed on. Messrs. Teetzel & Smith were born in Canada. They are accomplished masters of the tailors' art, liberal and just in their dealings, and have won success by honestly deserving it.

### A. R. LORIMER.

AN old established well-known business man in Toronto is Mr. A. R. Lorimer, importer of fancy goods, stationery, etc. Mr. Lorimer, who was born and educated in Toronto, has had an experience in the business in which he is now engaged extending over a period of 24 years, and established in it since 1876, commencing operations at 193 Yonge Street and removing in 1881 to the

spacious commodious premises now occupied at 150 on the same street. The building is of brick three stories and basement high and 20x60 feet in dimensions. It is admirably arranged and complete in all departments and stocked to repletion with a fine assortment of elegant goods, comprising plain and fancy stationery, fancy goods of every description, and china, glassware, souvenirs, etc. A special department is devoted to printing, and here wedding and visiting cards, invitations, etc., are furnished to order in the highest style of the art. Mr. Lorimer's trade is principally local and with tourists during the summer. He also fills many orders from surrounding cities and towns. From five to eight clerks are regularly employed and during the holidays their force is increased to fourteen. Mr. Lorimer has a wide circle of friends and acquaintances and his patronage comes from the best classes of the community.

#### J. TRANCLE-ARMAND & CO.

**T**HE largest and handsomest hair goods, hair dressing and perfumery establishment in Canada to-day is that conducted by J. Trancle-Armand, under the style of J. Trancle-Armand & Co., at 441 Yonge street and 1 Carlton street. Mons. Armand established himself in business in this city in 1887, and bringing the widest range of practical experience coupled with a thorough

knowledge of the wants of the trade, he has in the short space of five years developed the largest business in its special line in Canada. His sales-rooms and hair dressing parlors for ladies and gentlemen are handsomely furnished throughout and are most complete in every detail, while the stock of hair goods of every description is the largest and most complete in the



Dominion, adapted for fashion, protection from colds, or necessity. Armand's hair goods are noted the country over as being of best finish and quality, and constantly in keeping with the latest improvements and fashions.

The stock of bangs, fringes, waves, wigs and switches are all made from long hair in great variety of color and price. Gents' toupees and wigs are also made to order. A special department of the business is that devoted to ladies' and children's hair trimming, singeing and shampooing, hair dressing for balls, concerts, weddings, etc., receiving the attention of skilled artists, seven of whom are regularly employed. There are also connected with the establishment handsome hair dressing parlors for gentlemen, where the promptest and most skilled service is rendered. Mons. Armand also carries an exceptionally large

stock of the finest perfumery and toilet articles for ladies and gentlemen. Mons. Armand has received the highest awards at the Paris International and the National Hair Goods Exposition, and at the New York Hair Dressing Competition in 1890.

Although a native of France, Mons. Armand has become thoroughly identified with all that pertains to the city's growth and prosperity, and is universally esteemed and respected by a wide circle of friends and patrons. Among the attractions in this line at the Columbian Exposition may be seen an exhibit of Mons. J. Trancle-Armand, the largest hair goods and coiffures and gray hair regenerators on the World's Fair grounds, in the Canadian section of the Manufactures Building.

#### S. B. BRAYBON.

**O**NE among the most popular boot makers in Toronto is S. B. Braybon, who is a thoroughly practical man and can always guarantee the best satisfaction to all favouring him with patronage. He is of English birth, came to the city in 1872, and, after becoming practical and proficient in his trade, embarked in business on his own account, at 177 Bay street, and a year later removed to the premises now occupied at 167 on the same street, where he has a fine store and well-equipped workshop. Mr. Braybon makes a speciality of fine custom work,

which is executed in the best manner and perfect in every detail. He uses only the best materials, employs skilled workmen who are under his immediate supervision, and being moderate in his prices he has acquired a wide popularity and is doing a splendid business. Repairing is also attended to and neatly executed. Mr. Braybon is a progressive, enterprising, young business man, well deserving the success he has won and enjoys. He has a fashionable patronage and is recognized as one of the best practical boot makers in the city.



#### TORONTO SOAP CO.

**I**N these degenerate days of adulteration the consumer of soap has but one safeguard, and that is to purchase none unless it bears the name of some manufacturer recognized as the guarantee of excellence and purity, whose sole object is not the realization of large profits without regard to consequences as they affect customers. Especially is this applicable to soaps, and prominent among the honourable and reliable concerns engaged in their manufacture is the Toronto Soap Company, of which Messrs. W. A. Bradshaw & Company are the proprietors. This business was founded in 1890, and under able and efficient management its trade has grown and developed until to-day it covers every part of the Dominion from Halifax to Vancouver Island. The premises occupied comprise two floors and a basement, each 40 x 100 feet in dimensions, located at Nos. 48 and 50 Lombard street. They are admirably arranged for sale and manufacturing purposes, and employment is given to a number of skilled and competent workmen.

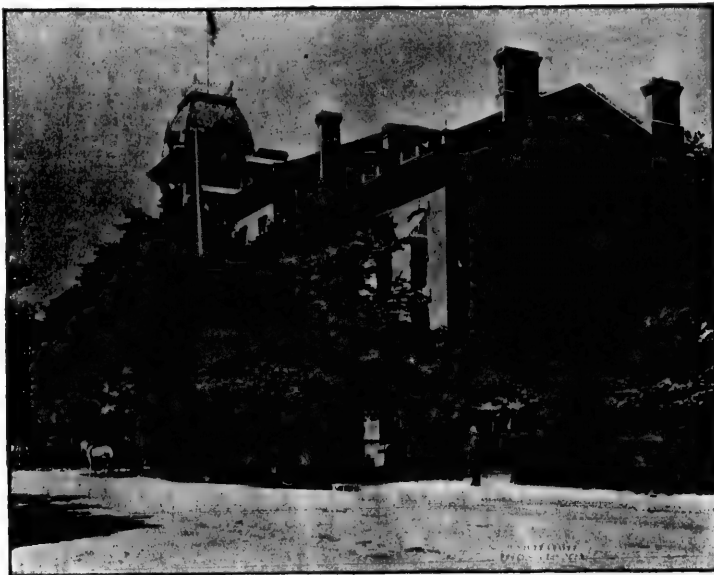
The range of production comprises soaps in which no deleterious or harmful ingredients are allowed to enter. The Company's trade is principally wholesale, while the good name of their wares is increasing annually in consequence of their superior excellence. The Company are extremely generous with their patrons, to whom they make a free gift of choice works of art in return for soap wrappers. Messrs. Bradshaw & Co. are energetic and enterprising business men, who recognise the fact that merit will always win, and upon this well-known maxim they conduct all their dealings.

### THE QUEEN'S HOTEL.

IN every respect The Queen's is the most prominent, fashionable and best known hotel in the Dominion. It is largely due to this realization of its superiority that has caused it to be so liberally patronized by royalty and the nobility as well as by the prominent people of Canada and the United States. This hotel is more like the finest seen at fashionable watering places like Saratoga than the usual city hotel. It covers a wide area and is only three lofty stories in height. Facing the lovely bay and lake, it is ever cool and pleasant in summer, commands a magnificent view, and is surrounded by umbrageous shade trees, floral parks with fountains, etc., so that the premises continually remind one of country surroundings in the city. With these exceptional attractions, nowhere else duplicated in Toronto, to which must be added a house having all the modern improvements, with the most refined *cuisine* in the land, and a perfect service, with the most luxurious accommodations, it is natural that The Queen's stands pre-eminent among Canadian hotels. It was established by the late Captain Dick, and in 1874 Messrs. McGaw & Winnett became the proprietors, and it is but just to say that under their energetic management the house has been continuously prosperous, and is a model in every detail. The hotel presents a substantial and attractive appearance, and is three stories and basement in height, substantially constructed of brick. It is 187 x 200 feet in dimensions, and is most commodious, light and airy throughout. On the main floor are the offices, reading rooms, cigar store, telegraph office, news stand, etc. The dining hall is of generous dimensions, very artistically decorated, and in every respect a charming apartment. The linen and china are immaculate, the service is unexcelled, while the *cuisine* is maintained at the highest standard of European excellence. Prominent foreign guests have commented upon the superiority of the bill of fare here. The ladies' parlor and reception rooms are richly furnished, while the guests' rooms are arranged *en suite*,

with bath rooms attached. All the modern improvements have been introduced, including safety passenger elevators, electric bells, steam heat, etc. The beautiful and spacious grounds are a charming feature. During the season garden parties are held here, and The Queen's always has many American and foreign tourists on its register. It is a luxurious and restful home alike for

King street. Among the distinguished guests at The Queen's have been the Grand Duke Alexis of Russia, Prince Leopold, Prince George of Wales, Princess Louise, and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, the Marquis of Lorne, Earl and Countess of Dufferin, Marquis and Marchioness of Lansdowne, Lord and Lady Stanley, and thousands of the best people of Europe and

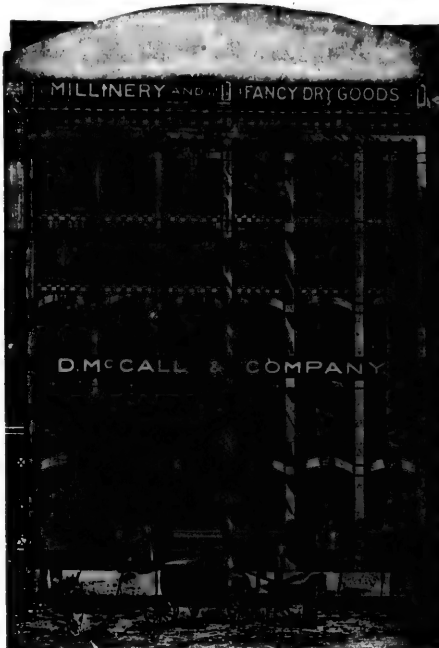


the business man, the pleasure seeker and the travelling public generally, and no hotel in town is so deservedly popular. With its numerous exits, isolated from business blocks and being only three stories in height, render any accident from fire an impossibility. The hotel is convenient and central to the principal stores, churches and theatres; it is close to the Union station and the steamer docks, and is yet saved from the noise and bustle of

America. Messrs. McGaw & Winnett are also the proprietors of the popular Queen's Royal Hotel at Niagara-on-the-Lake, the most attractive summer resort in the Dominion, and which has many of the most prominent families of the Dominion among its regular patrons. Both these houses are maintained at the same standard—the highest, and Messrs. McGaw & Winnett are worthy of the substantial success achieved.

**D. McCALL & CO.**

**I**N the wholesale millinery and fancy dry goods trade of Toronto the representative and most successful house is that of Messrs. D. McCall & Co., whose offices and salesrooms are centrally located at 12 and 14 Wellington



street east. This business, which is the largest of the kind in the city, was established in 1881 by Mr. D. McCall and Mr. Wm Blackley, and their trade now extends throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and the North-West. The premises

occupied comprise a superior five-story and basement building fully supplied with every convenience and facility for the accommodation and display of the immense, well-selected and valuable stock. The first floor is devoted to assorted straw goods; the second, to ribbons, silks, satins, laces; the third, to flowers, feathers, hat trimmings, etc., while the fourth floor is used for mantles, mantle cloths, etc., and the fifth, for parasols. The basement is utilized for shipping, receiving and packing. They handle only the most reliable and choice goods in all departments, and import direct from the most celebrated London, Paris, Berlin and New York houses, while they are always the first in Toronto to display the latest fashionable novelties. The partners visit Europe twice annually, and employ constantly twelve travelling salesmen. Orders are filled with the greatest care and dispatch at the lowest possible prices, and all goods are fully warranted to be exactly as represented. They are influential, honorable and enterprising merchants, who are extremely popular and respected in trade circles, and they also have a branch in Montreal.

**TORONTO RAILWAY COMPANY.**

**T**HE original street railway company of Toronto was established in 1868, and in 1871 it sold out to Keiley Brothers. In 1881 the concern was reorganized, Hon. Frank Smith becoming the President, thus continuing until 1890, when the charter ran out, and the city purchased the lines, cars, plant, etc., for the sum of \$1,453,788. The present company purchased the city title at cost, and at the end of thirty years the city has the right to purchase the property at an arbitrated value. This company has a thirty years' exclusive franchise of the lines granted by the city council and confirmed by the Legislature. The corporation has ample resources at command, and is guided by officers of vast practical experience in the building and operating of electric railroads on the improved trolley system. The company has a magnificent power plant and a large number of men and capacious cars, that give the highest satisfaction to the public. The service is perfect, and passengers can go anywhere in the city for one fare. Mr. McKenzie, the President, and Mr. H. A. Everett, the General Manager, are also the company proprietors of a large factory for the manufacture and repair of electric cars and trailers. The Toronto company employs, all told, upwards of one thousand hands, and is thus an important feature in the trade of the city. President McKenzie is a fair and just employer, and no road or shops do better by their men. The company is faithfully living up to its contract with the city, and President McKenzie and

his associates are to be congratulated upon the permanent success attending their efforts.

**MYERS & CO.**

**T**HE leading house in its line in the Dominion, extensively engaged in the manufacture of Horse and Cattle Spice, is that of Messrs. Myers & Co., whose offices and salesrooms in Toronto are situated at 178 Front street east. This prosperous business was established in 1889 by Mr. Myers, who is sole proprietor, at 18 King street east. In 1891 he removed to his present quarters, and his trade now extends not only throughout Canada and the United States, but also to Great Britain and other countries. Mr. Myers occupies a spacious three-story building, 50 x 140 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to offices and factory, while the second and third floors are utilized for warerooms. He manufactures largely Myers' Royal Horse and Cattle Spice, also the Gocoon Liquid Sheep Dip and Cattle Wash, and Myers' Sanitary Fluid, which is the best disinfectant in existence. His Horse and Cattle Spice is a general favorite with stock raisers and farmers, and is extremely valuable, not only for horses and cattle, but also for sheep. The following is a testimonial from the Honorable The Minister of Agriculture, viz:

Department of Agriculture, Toronto, March 17, 1893.

Gentlemen—We have been using your Spice during the present winter with both cattle and sheep. It seems to be equally valuable for both. I noticed especially the benefit on a lot of yearling rams. The change in their appetite and appearance was easily perceived after the first week or ten days' feeding, and they have steadily and rapidly gained since.

Yours truly,

Messrs. Myers & Co., Toronto.

JOHN DRYDEN.

Myers' Spice is sold by millers, seedsmen, grocers, druggists, flour merchants, etc., throughout the Dominion; and is also used with great success in stacking hay, straw and ensilage. Mr. Myers is inventor and sole manufacturer of the Royal Horse and Cattle Spice, which has now been used for the last twenty-seven years in Great Britain with remarkable success. Mr. Myers also operates large mills in York and Hull, England. He opened his Toronto house in 1889, and also has a branch at 70 North Clinton street, Chicago, Illinois. About twenty men are employed in Toronto and elsewhere, and they have likewise several travelling salesmen on the road. His horse and cattle spice and other specialties are absolutely unrivalled for reliability and excellence, and the prices quoted for them are exceedingly moderate.



### STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE CO. OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND.

**L**IFE Insurance has passed the argumentative stage. Every intelligent man has long been convinced of the beneficial results that will accrue from the purchase of a policy of insurance in a good company. Among the leading organizations of its type may be cited the Standard Life Assurance Company of Edinburgh, Scotland, which has enjoyed an unblemished record since 1825. This corporation has for years past had representation in the Dominion of Canada, with headquarters at Montreal and branch offices in Toronto in the well-known Bank of Commerce building. The following gentlemen, who are widely known in financial and commercial circles attend to the interests of the Toronto branch:—Mr. Thomas Kerr, Inspector of Agencies; W. M. Ramsay, Manager; and John W. Kerr, Cashier, with the well-known insurance man, Charles Hunter, Chief Agent. The benefits conferred by the holding of a policy in this organization are briefly capable of summary thus: 1. A "Standard" policy forms a provision for widow, children or other relatives, after the assured's death. 2. It forms an endowment for the person herself or himself in old age. 3. It secures creditors against the death of a borrower before payment of his debt. 4. It returns a partner's capital to his business at his death. 5. It provides a safe investment at compound interest for small or large sums, set aside in one sum or at intervals, yielding to the investor a greatly larger return than he could possibly get from any other form of saving. The enviable position the company occupies in the Dominion reflects much credit on Mr. Wm. M. Ramsay, the Manager of the Canadian business, who has developed the finest system of organization to be found in any insurance office on this side of the Atlantic.

### CHAS. STEINLE.

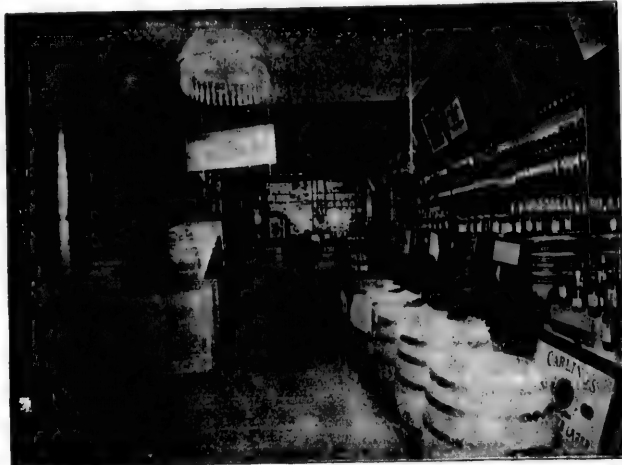
**A** REVIEW of Toronto's commercial and manufacturing interests would be manifestly incomplete without passing mention of the popular and prosperous pork packing and provision house of Mr. Chas. Steinle, elegantly located at 6 and 8 Ontario street. This business was founded eighteen years ago by Mr. Chas Steinle, whose trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion, his chief patronage, however, being in Ontario and Lower Provinces. The premises occupied comprise a substantial three-story brick building, 60 x 110 feet in area, suitably subdivided into offices, salesroom and packing departments. In the pork packing department only the best

stock is handled, and the greatest care is given the meat through all its stages of curing, smoking and packing while being prepared for the market. Mr. Steinle's hams and bacon are cured and packed by a process which adds greatly to the flavor of the meat and renders them free from all injurious substances and taste of excessive salt. Mr. Steinle makes a specialty of pure leaf lard, which he guarantees to be free from all adulteration and unsurpassed for quality and uniform excellence. Orders are filled with care and despatch at the lowest possible prices, and the Telephone call of the office is 1736. Mr. Steinle was born in Germany, but has resided in Toronto for the last twenty-seven years. He is among the best judges of hogs in the market, and is highly regarded in trade circles for his sound business principles and strict integrity. Twenty men are constantly employed in the packing house; and the trade of Mr. Steinle is steadily increasing, owing to the superiority and reliability of his provisions, which are general favorites with the trade and public wherever introduced.

### E. A. WILKINSON.

**P**URE wines and liquors have become more popular than ever during late years, and as a consequence there are few branches of trade in which a larger amount of capital is invested. These articles unadulterated are the establishments most patronized by the trade and public. A thoroughly reliable house in this line of trade in Toronto is that of Mr. E. A. Wilkinson, located at No. 152 King street east. The inception of this business dates back to 1882, when it was founded by Messrs. F. P. Brazil & Company, as dealers in groceries, and wine and liquor merchants, under the name of the Toronto Tea Company. In July, 1892, this firm was succeeded by Mr. E. A. Wilkinson, who abandoned the grocery

department, and changed the name of the establishment to the Palaco Liquor Store, an appellation that fits it to perfection. It is the finest store of its kind in Canada, its fittings and appointments being extremely rich, elegant, and tasteful. Mr. Wilkinson utilizes a ground floor and basement, each being 25x80 feet in dimensions. The front and partitions of the store are of solid English bevelled stained plate glass, and all the fixtures are of the finest. Mr. Wilkinson does an exclusively wholesale trade, which extends to all parts



of the Province. His stock is full and complete, and embraces the choicest vintages of France, Spain, Germany and Italy, as well as of Canada and the United States, the finest brandies, rums, whiskeys, gins, liqueurs, cordials, bitters, ales, porters, lager-beers, etc., most of which are of direct importation. The telephone call of the office is 678, and orders are filled at lowest figures consistent with superior quality. Mr. Wilkinson came to this city from Newcastle in 1886, and has made hosts of friends by his genial and honorable manners.

**W. J. BREWER.**

**T**HE popular and well known hatter and furrier, Mr. W. J. Brewer, although only established in business since 1892, has secured a large first-class substantial patronage, which is steadily growing each succeeding year. He has had a valuable experience in this special business, and brings to bear upon it a full and comprehensive knowledge of its every detail. Mr. Brewer has had a long and valuable experience in the leading stores in



Detroit, Michigan, and thoroughly understands the American trade. He occupies a handsome attractive store 20 x 65 feet in dimensions, and in its complete appointment, embraces every modern adjunct of utility and convenience. The assortment of goods displayed comprises fine English silk and felt hats, also wool and cloth hats, caps of all kinds, and a complete assortment of furs for ladies' and gentlemen's wear, robes, etc. Mr. Brewer imports silk and felt hats direct from the leading London manufacturers, and is always one among the first to introduce the new styles as soon as brought out. He also manufactures ladies' and gentlemen's hats, furs to order, and altogether is doing a large prosperous business. He caters to the best class of trade, and can always offer in-

ducements in the best quality goods and prices to buyers. Mr. Brewer was born and raised in Canada, and is well and prominently known in this city. His store is located at 394 Queen street west.

**THE PANTECHNETHECA.**

**T**HE well known "Pantechnetheca" is the largest retail house in artistic novelties imported from all parts of the world, and the leader in Canada, and has been in successful operation since 1885. This attractive establishment is located at 116 Yonge street, on the corner of Adelaide, and only the finest goods are dealt in, the house having its sources of supply in London, Paris, Vienna, Berlin and other European capitals. The goods embrace china, crockery, glassware, decorated lamps, art pottery, bric-a-brac, and quaint art novelties. The building is 30 x 170 feet in dimensions, and has three lofty stories. The first floor is handsomely decorated, having mirrored walls, costly woodwork, polished floors, etc., and contains samples from all the celebrated factories, such as Doulton, Royal Worcester, Crown Derby, etc., from England, and Elite Limoges from France, while among the richly decorated goods are toilet, dinner and tea sets, special sets for oysters, fruit and game, with other choice wares for table use, ornamental pieces in Bohemian and Austrian glass, Parian and Majolica and fancy wares of every description. The second floor contains a China showroom and art room. The latter is decorated with rich Plaster ceilings, mirrored walls, edged with Moorish woodwork in white, gold and blue, hung with rich drapings of silk and plush, lighted by piano, banquet and electric lamps. A large dinner table is completely set out with an Elite Limoges dinner service, with a full complement of cut glass. The third floor is a bargain room, containing cheaper goods and odd pieces. White China for decorating is a specialty with the house. On exhibition here is a vase, the largest ever imported to Canada, with the exception of one, its exact counterpart, which the house imported about four years ago. It was sold, and presented to Lady Macdonald, Baroness of Earscliffe. The vase weighs eight hundred pounds and is priced at \$7,000. The house is agent for the celebrated Pittsburgh lamp.

**MASON & THOMPSON.**

**T**HERE are few features of metropolitan business and enterprise which contribute more largely to the convenience of the resident and transient public than a well equipped livery stable, such as that now conducted by Messrs. Mason & Thompson at 89 Jarvis street and at 8 and 10 Duke street. This stable was established in 1881 by John L. Scott, who was succeeded five

years later by W. T. Windt and who in turn was succeeded in 1891 by the present proprietors, Messrs. Mason & Thompson. In addition to the livery business they combined that of buying and selling horses on commission, and also boarding animals at the lowest prices. Their premises are commodious, being not less than 100 x 200 feet. They have a stabling capacity for thirty-five horses and the stables are open day and night and may be reached at any hour by telephoning No. 848. These enterprising gentlemen keep a large assortment of turn-outs as fine as any in the city, consisting of victorias, hacks, coupes and the latest styles of single liveries. Their animals are excellent drivers and it affords great pleasure to ride behind some of their fine steppers. Both Messrs. Mason and Thompson know well the value of horseflesh, having not only been in the buying and selling business for some time, but were formerly farmers where they must of necessity learn well the value of the equine. Both are natives of Canada and followed farming for many years previous to entering the livery, boarding and sales business. Both are clever, affable gentlemen and have already established a profitable business.

**CHARLES BOECKH & SONS.**

**F**OR nearly four decades the widely known house of Charles Boeckh & Sons, manufacturers of brushes, brooms, woodenware, etc., has been in existence. It is one of the oldest and leading concerns of the kind in the Dominion and its trade embraces the whole of Canada. This house was established in 1856 by Mr. Charles Boeckh, a gentleman now somewhat past the meridian of life, who was born in New York of German parentage, but is an old and respected resident of this city. His sons joined the business in 1880 and the combination of their youthful vigor and enterprise, with the senior partner's ripe experience, tend to form a firm of eminent popularity and worth. The business premises consist of two factories, five stories in height, respectively 40 x 100 and 30 x 90 feet in dimensions, situated at Nos. 158 to 168 Adelaide street west, also two warehouses, 30 x 90 feet in dimensions and four stories high, are located at No. 80 York street. Upwards of one hundred hands here find employment and five travelling salesmen on the road. A vast assortment of goods is made and carried in stock, embracing a complete line of brushes for whitewashing and painting, in all sizes and styles, kalsomine brushes, brewers' brushes, mill, machine, window, floor, dust, clothes, blacking, polishing, hat and all kinds of fancy brushes, brooms, etc. In wooden ware there are buckets, tubs, pails and washboards of all

kinds, churns, butter prints, wooden scoops, sieves, ladles, spoons and a multifarious collection of similar goods. Messrs. Boeckh have achieved a most enviable reputation for the superiority of their goods, and Toronto is to be congratulated upon having such an ably conducted establishment in its midst.

#### PARK, BLACKWELL & CO., LIMITED.

ONE of the most noted and reliable firms in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs. Park, Blackwell & Co., Limited, whose office and stalls are 41 to 47 St. Lawrence market, and packing house at 111 Front street east. This prosperous and extensive business was originally established thirty-five years ago by James Park & Son, who conducted it till 1892, when they were succeeded by the present firm. They are one of the largest pork packers in the city and deal in hams, bacon, beef hams, cheese, lard, dairy packed butter, etc., and import dairy supplies, sausage casings, finnan haddies, bloaters and other smoked fish. The firm have telephone communications to all parts of the city, and promptly fill orders at the lowest ruling market prices. Their packing house is fully equipped and twenty-five to fifty hands are employed. The firm's hams and bacon are cured by a process that adds greatly to the flavor of the meat, and renders them free from all injurious substances and unpleasant taste of excessive salt. The goods are well known all over Canada. Their hams, provisions, etc., are unrivalled for quality and uniform excellence, and have no superiors in this country or elsewhere—and the demand for them is steadily increasing. Mr. Park was born in Glasgow, Scotland, but has resided in Toronto for the last forty years, while Mr. Blackwell is a native of Lindsay, Ontario, where he was many years in the grocery trade. Both partners are highly regarded for their integrity and are extremely popular in trade circles.

#### THE SHEDDEN CO., Ltd.

THE Shedden Co. are widely known as contractors, warehousemen, general forwarders and carriers, and cartage agents for the Grand Trunk Railway and also cartage agents for the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railway at several points, and for the Northern Pacific and Manitoba Railway at Winnipeg. They have within the last four years established storage warehouses at Toronto, Hamilton, Winnipeg and Jackson, Mich. The Company was incorporated in 1873, in succession to the late Mr. John Shedden, in his time one of the most enterprising citizens of Toronto. Mr. Hugh Paton is manager and secretary, resident in Montreal; Mr. C. Mackenzie is

superintendent, resident in Toronto, and Mr. Jas. Hunter, superintendent of the United States agencies, is resident in Detroit, Mich. This Company has agencies in Canada at Montreal, St. Hyacinthe, Valleyfield, Cornwall, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, Guelph, Brantford, London, Windsor and Winnipeg. In the United States at Detroit, Port Huron, Jackson, Lansing and Battle Creek in Michigan, and Cleveland, Ohio. For cartage in Toronto the Shedden Company employ sixty or more double teams, with all the vehicles necessary for a first-class cartage service, viz., lorries, express wagons, safe trucks, boiler and plate glass trucks, lumber wagons, etc., all of which are manufactured and repaired at the company's own shops on King street west, where also all their horses are shod. Toronto supplies all the western Canadian agencies with vehicles and also manufactures many for the east. For storage in Toronto the Shedden Co. have three warehouses, situated on the corner of Front street east and Princess street, and occupying the ground of Nos. 182 to 192 Front street east and 38 to 46 Princess street, one large warehouse being on Front street, entrance and office No. 184, and two warehouses on Princess street, being Nos. 44 and 46. These warehouses are properly fitted up from cellars to top floors for the storage of all kinds of merchandise, with separate compartments in all for the locking up of goods in bond, while the yard and sheds are available for storage of rough materials. The elevators in the warehouses are operated by electric motor, and the utmost dispatch is given to receiving, forwarding and delivering goods, handling the same with the utmost care. The Shedden Co.'s offices in Toronto are: G.T.R. Freight Station, Simcoes street, for railway cartage orders, Telephone No. 252; general office, No. 10 Wellington street east, corner Scott street, for all branches of the business, Telephone No. 622; storage office, 184 Front street east, Telephone No. 2462.

#### TORONTO LOCK CO., LIMITED.

IN the manufacture of cabinet and builders' hardware and brass and bronze castings a representative and reliable concern in the city is that known as The Toronto Lock Co., Limited, whose salerooms and factory are situated at 76 Esplanade street west. This prosperous industry was incorporated in 1890, under the laws of Canada, and has a liberal and influential patronage in Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. The premises occupied comprise a spacious three-story brick building, 73 x 75 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with every convenience. The foundry and workshops are supplied with modern tools and machinery, and fifteen skilled workmen are employed. The Company manufacture all kinds of cabinet and builders' hardware, casels, tables, fire screens, banner

stands, window fittings, etc., and also turn out first-class bronze and brass castings for outside work and the trade at very reasonable rates. Estimates are promptly given on special work, and complete satisfaction is guaranteed patrons. Only carefully selected metals are utilized and the goods produced are unsurpassed for quality, elegance of design and workmanship, and the demand for them is steadily increasing in all sections of the country. A specialty is made of fine bronze goods in builders' hardware, and the business is both wholesale and retail.



Mr. T. H. Stephenson, the general manager, was born in Toronto. He is widely known in trade circles for his mechanical and artistic skill, and is a popular member of the Knights of Pythias.

## ST. LEON MINERAL SPRINGS.

THE water of these valuable natural springs first came into prominent notice over half a century since, and from its first introduction the St. Leon water has continued to gain great popularity, both as a pleasant and refreshing beverage, as well as a very efficient remedial agent. As a beverage it is rapidly taking the place of imported waters, such as Vichy, Kissengen, Seltzer and Apollinaris. As a remedial agent the St. Leon water has taken the first rank on account of its healing and restorative qualities, equally efficient in



external or internal use. It has been found to be a sure and reliable remedy in scrofula, rheumatism, dyspepsia, gout, blood, liver and kidney disorders, including diabetes, melitus, and Bright's disease. It is one of the few mineral waters yet discovered that has produced satisfactory and lasting remedial results. It is beneficial both in acute and chronic rheumatism on account of its solvent action, effectively and promptly neutralizing the lithic and other acids upon which these maladies depend, and on the same principle it is a reliable remedy in all cutaneous affections. It is aperient and tonic, a thorough

cleanser of the kidneys, purifying and strengthening the system and warding off that dangerous malady—Bright's disease of the kidneys. The springs are beautiful, located on the banks of the Upper River du Loup, five miles from the St. Lawrence River, between the cities of Quebec and Montreal. It is a popular resort for tourists and invalids. Located at the springs is the handsome and modern St. Leon hotel, a modern hostelry. The compliments it has won from its myriad guests are proof sufficient of its sterling excellencies. Its broad corridors, its spacious and airy rooms, its elegant appointments, its mineral baths, its facilities for boating, fishing, shooting,

tennis and other indoor sports, its magnificent location, the grand views from its windows, the excellence of its cuisine, the courteous attendance—one hundred hands being employed in the season—all these stamp the superiority of the hotel at once. And with all this, moreover, the invigorating, health-giving waters flow from their natural fountains adjoining the hotel, and the guests have the free use of them. The St. Leon water is sold everywhere, in bulk or bottles. The springs are the property of the St. Leon Mineral Water Co., Ltd. whose head office is 101 King street west, this city, with branch offices in Montreal and Quebec. The officers of the company are Messrs. James Good, President; J. F. Eby, Vice-President; Hugh Blain, Secretary; and C. E. A. Langlois, General Manager. The manager of the hotel is Mr. M. A. Thomas. They are gentlemen

of high character, energy and enterprise and deserve the eminent success that has attended their affairs.

## PALMER AND KENSINGTON HOTELS.

THE large annual travel through Toronto both for business and pleasure renders it a matter of direct interest to the public to secure reliable information as to the hotels of this great city. First and foremost stands the

Palmer House, with its twin, The Kensington, as being the most popular, best kept and most liberally patronized houses in town. In fact, Messrs. J. C. Palmer & Son have attained an international reputation for their great ability as hotel proprietors. They are noted for making guests comfortable and at moderate prices, and their hotels run full the year round. The famous Palmer House occupies a most central and desirable location on the north-west corner of King and York streets. The building is a substantial white brick structure, five stories in height and specially planned for the purpose. Here are one hundred rooms for guests, all elegantly furnished, everything spotlessly clean and neat, while all the modern improvements have been introduced, including the electric light, steam heat, etc. The main dining room has recently been enlarged and is now a splendid apartment, 40 x 95 feet in dimensions, readily seating two hundred guests. It and the offices, parlors, reading room, etc., have all been freshly decorated in oil by eminent artists, and the hotel is a model of elegance and comfort throughout. Here is a fine billiard parlor, hair-dressing shop, sample and bath rooms, etc. Messrs. Palmer keep the cuisine of their house up to the highest standard, employ only the best cooks, and secure the best of everything in the markets—all the luxuries and dainties, as well as the staples, and thus the board here is superior to hotels charging higher rates. The rate here is uniformly \$2 per day, on the good, old-fashioned, American plan, and the house runs full the year round. It is headquarters for commercial men and tourists. Right across the street on the south-west corner is The Kensington, which is under the same management, and enables the firm to give adequate accommodation to all guests. This is a modern hotel, opened in 1891. It is a beautiful white brick building, five stories in height, containing one hundred bed rooms, with elevator, baths, electric and gas lights, in fact all the modern improvements, and is the most popular hotel in town run on the European plan, the only one of the kind in town. The rates range from 50 cents to \$1.00 per day, and accommodations are strictly first-class. These hotels are but three blocks from Union station and steamboat wharves; right in the heart of the city, close to all the best stores, churches, theatres, etc., and street cars pass the door, running to all points. Mr. J. C. Palmer is an American, long resident here, and is one of Toronto's most popular business men. He has become noted as one of the most successful hotel proprietors in the Dominion, and is thoroughly enterprising and energetic. Associated with him in the proprietorship is his son, Mr. Chas. R. Palmer, a popular young hotel man, brought up to the business, and personally in charge. These are the most popular hotels in Ontario, and we advise all travellers to make them their headquarters whenever visiting Toronto.

## W. A. MURRAY &amp; CO.

THE improvements that have taken place in the last few years in the retail dry goods trade have made the establishments engaged therein veritable bazaars, reflecting the manufacturing progress of every nation. In this connection we desire to refer specially to the popular and representative Toronto house of Messrs. W. A. Murray & Co., importers and retailers of dry goods and notions, whose offices and salesrooms are centrally located at 17 to 27 King street east and 10 to 14 Colborne street. This extensive and flourishing business was established in 1850 by Messrs. W. A. Murray & Co., who have since built up a liberal and influential patronage in all sections of Toronto and Ontario, the trade extending from Halifax to Vancouver, B.C. The co-partners, Messrs. John Drynan and W. T. Murray, bring great practical experience to bear, coupled with ample capital and perfect facilities. The premises occupied comprise a spacious and substantial building, 82x200 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with every convenience, electric lights, cash railway, etc. The first floor is devoted to retail salesrooms, while the second floor is utilized for millinery, mantles, cloaks, and offices. The stock is one of the choicest and most comprehensive in the city, including all kinds of silks, satins, cashmeres, dress fabrics of every description, and everything pertaining to a first-class dry goods house. Here can also be obtained ladies' and misses' boots and shoes from the most noted manufacturers, including Burt's goods and Laird, Shober and Mitchell's gloves. They likewise attend carefully to merchant tailoring, and turn out garments that are unrivalled for quality, fit, fashionable style and workmanship, while the prices that prevail are the lowest in Toronto. Messrs. W. A. Murray & Co. import direct from the most celebrated British, French, German and American houses, and are always the first in Toronto to display the latest novelties. The quality and durability of the firm's stock are always maintained, and inducements in prices are quoted that could only obtain with a house so thoroughly prepared for efficient service. Three hundred clerks, salesladies, assistants, etc., are employed, and the attendance upon customers is prompt, polite and intelligent. Orders by mail are immediately attended to, and the firm have permanent customers in Montreal, Quebec, Winnipeg, Halifax and Vancouver. Messrs. Drynan & Murray are noted for their enterprise and strict integrity, and are extremely popular with all classes of the community. Mr. Drynan was born in Scotland, while Mr. Murray is a native of Ireland. Both partners have resided in Toronto the greater part of their lives, and have ever been active supporters of all measures conducive to the benefit and welfare of the city.

## GEO. L. DIEHL &amp; CO.

IN the building and beautifying of our homes, mantels have become such an essential feature that no house can be considered complete without the artistic mantel

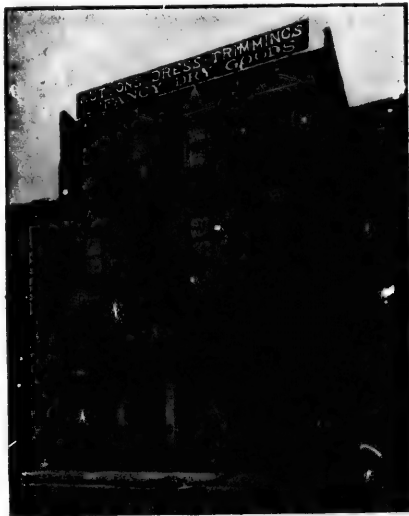


and the cheery fire-place. In their variety of style and costliness, they fitly adorn the humblest home, imparting thereto a rich tone of comfort and elegance, or they are

made to grace and dignify the most elaborate boudoir of the princely mansion. Recognizing the want created by such a growing sentiment among our home builders, and modestly assuming the responsibilities of entering upon so broad and fruitful a field of competition, requiring the exercise of a high order of genius and skill, at the same time in the hope of building up an honorable and remunerative business, Messrs. George L. Diehl & Co. were found among the early manufacturers of Art Wood Mantels in the city of Toronto, indeed they were among the first, and are to-day the only firm in Canada who have built and are running a factory for the exclusive manufacture of the above goods. Their new factory at 785 King street west, comprise: 1st, The main building 32 x 116 feet with four stories, which affords ample space for present requirements for offices, show-rooms and the different departments of manufacture. 2nd, Engine house and dry kiln. 3rd, Lumber and storage house, in the construction and equipment of which, the governing feature or end, was to secure in every detail a perfect and harmonious adaptation to the business of manufacturing wood mantels only. In order to secure this most fully, every improvement—whether in machinery or tools, or labor-saving conveniences and devices—that experience could dictate or skill execute, has been brought into requisition; and the crowning result is a unique, a model factory. With such facilities, with the best and most carefully selected and most thoroughly prepared materials of every class, and with the picked mechanics and artisans of a continent, what wonder that this truly enterprising and energetic company should be able to produce goods of the first quality and at prices that defy the keenest competition. Already they have achieved a grand success. They have built up an honorable name and established their business upon such a basis as must, in the near future, prove highly remunerative and satisfactory. Already their goods are sold all over the Dominion, from Halifax in the east, to Vancouver in the far west, and within this vast extent they find their business constantly increasing.

## MACABE, ROBERTSON &amp; CO.

**A** NEWLY established and representative firm in Toronto actively engaged in the importation of Berlin wools, fancy dry goods, etc., is that of Messrs. Macabe, Robertson & Co., whose salesrooms are at No 8 Wellington street west. This steadily increasing business was originally established in 1885 by Messrs. Foster & Macabe, and owing to the death of Mr. C. H. Foster in the



fall of 1889, the business amalgamated with that of Frank Robertson & Co. In 1890 Messrs J. H. Macabe and Frank Robertson assumed control, the firm being known by the title of Macabe, Robertson & Co. The partners possess influential connections in France, Switzerland, Germany and England, coupled with ample capital, thus enabling them to offer substantial advantages in prices to

jobbers and retailers. The business is strictly wholesale, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the North-West and British Columbia. The premises occupied comprise a spacious four story building, 40 x 80 feet in area, fully equipped with every convenience for the accommodation and display of the choice and valuable stock. The assortment includes all kinds of Berlin wools, fancy dry goods, embroidered linens, hand-painted novelties, silks and satins, and small wares. Only first-class goods are handled, which are imported direct from the most celebrated foreign houses. Orders by mail or telegraph are promptly filled at the lowest possible prices, and every effort is made to give entire satisfaction to the most critical patrons. Mr. Macabe was born in Canada, while Mr. Robertson is a Scotchman. They are widely known in trade circles for their enterprise and strict integrity, and are constantly on the alert and the first in Toronto to introduce the latest novelties.

## THE HOME SAVINGS AND LOAN CO., LIMITED.

**T**HIS company grew out of the Toronto Savings Bank, which was established in 1854, and which proved a most useful one to the farmers and to the working classes of the city, at a time when savings banks were either unknown or few in number, for it gave an incentive to thrift and led the wage-earner to make provident provision for ill health or old age. The Act under which savings banks were originally established in Canada having been repealed, it was considered desirable to continue the business of the Toronto Savings Bank, and to afford and maintain opportunities for its beneficent working. The Home Savings and Loan Company, Limited, was therefore incorporated and in 1878 an agreement was entered into between the two institutions and sanctioned by Act of the Dominion Parliament, whereby the business of the savings bank was taken over by the new company. By the same agreement a sum representing the surplus profits of the Savings Bank, amounting to \$20,000, was paid by the company, and this sum, by the terms of the agreement and Act, is held as the Toronto Savings Bank Charitable Trust, and controlled by trustees appointed under the same Act, and having no connection with the company. The yearly earnings of this trust are divided among some of the charitable institutions of the city. The Home Savings and Loan Co. (Limited), is an institution which is essentially a "repository" for the savings of the people and has a subscribed capital of \$1,750,000, and an authorized capital of \$2,000,000.00. The depositors of the company now number over 6,000,

and they are constantly increasing and adding to the volume of their savings. The total deposits are now approaching \$2,000,000. The investments of the company are restricted to debentures, mortgages, and such other securities as are considered by the government of a proper character for such an institution. The offices are centrally located at 78 Church street. The company enjoys an excellent reputation as one of the most useful, as well as sound, financial institutions in the city. Mr. James Mason, Major of the Royal Grenadiers, and the popular manager, entered the employment of the Toronto Savings Bank in 1866. In 1872 he was appointed assistant manager and manager in the following year. He remained in that position till the business was taken over, in 1879, by the Home Savings and Loan Company, and has since continued to be manager of the new and now flourishing institution. Under his able and prudent management it has of recent years added largely to the volume of its business.

## H. &amp; F. HOERR.

**O**NE of the most successful and popular firms of piano manufacturers in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs H. & F. Hoerr, whose office and warerooms are situated at 201 Queen street east, and factory at 26 to 32 Britain street. Messrs. H. & F. Hoerr, who are thoroughly experienced and able piano makers, first commenced business in Germany in 1840; eventually, in 1889, they came to Toronto and opened their present establishment. They manufacture grand, square and upright pianos, and fully warrant every instrument for five years. They have always made strictly first-class pianos, and having worked themselves for years in all departments of piano-making, from the first process of case-making up to the last finish and fine tuning, it is comparatively easy for them to select the most skillful workmen and those best adapted for the business. The premises occupied comprise a substantial three-story brick factory, 30 x 150 feet in area, fully supplied with modern tools and appliances. Here thirty first-class workmen are employed, and they now ship their pianos to all sections of Canada. These splendid pianos are sold at prices which are as low as can be named for first-class instruments, although, of course, higher than the figures placed upon the miserable apologies with which the Canadian market is flooded. In their warerooms they constantly keep on hand a full line of grand, square and upright pianos, which are absolutely unequalled for elegance of design, sweetness and brilliancy of tone. These pianos have all the latest improvements, and are guaranteed to give complete satis-



faction to the most critical patrons. Messrs. H. & F. Hoerr have resided in Toronto for some years, and are highly esteemed for their ability, skill and strict probity. Persons desirous of purchasing a piano should patronize this house, which offers advantages very difficult to be secured elsewhere in the city.

### H. WOODROW.

THERE is no commodity of commerce that is of more importance to the general public, whether it be the manufacturer, the merchant, or the householder, than fuel; and it is therefore fitting that in a review of the industrial and commercial resources of Toronto the fullest recognition should be made of the coal and wood traffic. This trade is well represented here by several reliable and responsible concerns, chief among them being the establishment of Mr. H. Woodrow, whose office and yards are located at No. 764 Queen street east and 1019 Queen street east. He carries at all times a heavy stock of anthracite and bituminous coal which he receives direct from the mines of Pennsylvania, and is in a position to offer to his customers the best class of fuel at first prices. He also handles great quantities of fire wood, which is cut and split by steam to any required dimensions. Three wagons are in steady service delivering orders. Mr. Woodrow is a native of England, a pleasant, genial gentleman, and a business man of enterprise and ability.

### SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA.

THIS company was chartered in Montreal in 1865, and, under wise and conservative management, has had a wonderfully prosperous career, and now has branch offices in every Province of the Dominion, also England and China, with full staffs of agents and collectors in the large cities. The keynote to the marked success of this deservedly popular and prosperous organization may perhaps be traced to the care in which it selects its risks, its management recognizing the very palpable fact that any laxity in the admission of members is certain to increase the death rate, and to just that extent reduce the profits to its policy-holders. A fair criterion of the material progress made by the Sun Life Assurance Company may be learned by a glance at the last annual statement, which simply speaks for itself

as to the financial standing and solid prosperity of this colossal corporation—it being especially noticeable therefrom that the year 1892 was purely and simply a phenomenal one, the increase of business over that controlled in the preceding year exceeding the corresponding increase of all the other Canadian companies combined. Here in Toronto the company has received an enormous patronage under the able and indefatigable supervision of Mr. W. T. McIntyre, the resident manager, with offices at 33 Adelaide street east, and who is practically conversant with every detail of the life insurance business. His fine executive abilities have enabled him to systematically organize a canvass of the "Queen City" and her suburbs, and with trained and industrious agents the superior advantages of insuring in the "Sun Life" have been brought to the attention of a large portion of our population, and with the most satisfactory and cheering of results, alike creditable to the company and beneficial to the citizens of Toronto.

### BENNETT AND WRIGHT.

OF late years plumbing has become a science, and upon its proper study and application depend the solution of many questions of drainage, ventilation and sanitary conditions. In these days of complexities of city life, the plumber has become essential in the highest degree to our comfort and health, and the necessity of employing only those who are thoroughly qualified in every department of the business is apparent to every man of ordinary intelligence. A popular and progressive house engaged in this line of industry in this great manufacturing and commercial centre, worthy of more than passing mention in these pages, is that conducted under the firm style of Messrs. Bennett and Wright at No. 72 Queen street east. This house was established some twenty years ago, and has deservedly enjoyed a continuously prosperous career to date. The senior partner of the enterprise has now been dead for some years past, and although the original trading title has been retained, the sole management and proprietorship has been vested in the hands of Mr. Joseph Wright, since Mr. Bennett's death. The premises occupied consist of an eligible three-storied building, 25 x 100 feet in dimensions, the structure rising in the rear to the height of four stories. The front portion of these well appointed quarters is chiefly devoted to office and salesroom, the rear being equipped with electric motor power and otherwise admirably adapted for the advantageous storage of stock and the general prosecution of the business. Mr. Wright is prepared to do all kinds of work pertaining to plumb-

ing, gas and steam-fitting; including the entire work of public buildings, business houses, residences and other structures. A special feature is likewise made of the fitting up of electric wiring, annunciators, burglar alarms, and the manufacture and adjustment of fine electroliers. The stock in trade includes a general line of plumbers' supplies, such as brass and iron, steam and gas and water work, bath tubs, sinks, tanks, traps, pipe and fittings, etc., the assortment being kept full and complete, and the quality of goods serving to



commend them at once to the confidence and patronage of experienced buyers. Estimates are furnished, contracts are entered into and executed promptly and satisfactorily, while repairing receives prompt attention at reasonable rates. Mr. Wright is an energetic, wide-awake business man, a thorough exponent of the plumbers', steam and gas-fitters' craft, and as such recognizes the fact that good work at fair and honest prices are the prime factors in superintending permanent and prosperous business success.

## W. &amp; D. DINEEN.

**T**HE manufacture of seal-skin sacsques, jackets, dolmans and other fur robes has made great progress among the industries of Toronto, and one of the oldest established and most reliable houses in this trade is that of Messrs. W. & D. Dineen, hatters and furriers, whose salesrooms and factory are situated corner King and Yonge streets. This extensive business was founded in 1860 by Messrs. W. & D. Dineen, who conducted it till 1874 when Mr. D. Dineen died, after a successful and honorable career. The business is now the property of



Mr W. Dineen, who is still continuing it under the old firm name of W. & D. Dineen. Mr. Dineen supplies the finest and most fashionable furs and sealskins worn in the city, and is a leading authority on the prevailing styles and fashions. He owns the building in which he conducts his business and occupies two spacious floors, each being 40 x 100 feet in area. Mr. Dineen manufactures and keeps in stock full lines of newmarkets, dolmans, sacsques, and other seal garments, ranging in prices according to their length. He uses only the best London dyed seal skins, and turns out garments that are unrivalled for elegance, finish, quality and workmanship. The advantages of purchas-

ing seal-skin goods, furs, robes, etc., from a bona fide manufacturer are of the greatest value, not the least of which is that a perfectly fitting garment is obtained, which is impossible under other conditions. Mr. Dineen also handles capes, muffs, boas, fur cape gloves, collars, fur overcoats, sleigh robes, and is agent in Toronto for Heath's English hats and Dunlap's New York hats. Orders are carefully filled at the lowest possible figures, and the trade of the house now extends throughout Ontario and Quebec. Mr. Dineen was born in Ireland, but came when a child with his parents to Toronto. He is widely known for his business skill and sterling integrity, and justly merits the substantial success secured in this important industry. In every way this house is to be relied on for the superior quality of the goods produced, and those giving orders here will secure a much richer and finer class of furs at lower prices than can be found at any similar establishment in the Dominion. The Telephone call of the office is 1664.

## PURSE &amp; WILSON.

**T**HIS deservedly popular rendezvous was established in 1886, its present proprietors being Messrs. Purse & Wilson. No effort has been spared on the part of these genial restaurateurs to make their establishment the actual "Head-quarters" of its type, its patronage consisting of the leading merchants and professional men of the Queen City. In point of interior and exterior appointments nothing has been spared which lavish expenditure could bring about. The cafe bar is an ornate fixture of solid cherry wood, a masterpiece of the carver's art, constructed at a cost of no less than \$4,000, the glasswork, chandeliers, frescoing and other appointments being in tasteful keeping, while the decorum which prevails at all times, and the polite and courteous attention extended to all patrons combine to render "Head-quarters" the saloon par excellence in the city of Toronto. It is located at 46 and 48 King street east. There is at all times kept in stock an extensive, choice and well selected assortment of ports, sherries, clarets, champagnes, brandies, gins, rums, Rhine wines, Scotch, Irish, and American whiskies, cordials, liqueurs also domestic and

imported beers and ales of the best brands. The line of cigars also here obtainable, includes the finest Havana productions, the aim and effort of the proprietors in all they have undertaken being to handle only first-class goods. The upper portions of the establishment constitute a recherche ladies' and gentlemen's restaurant with suitable arrangements for private entrance. In this department the service has been carefully selected, the cooking is beyond reproach, and the daily menu embraces all the delicacies the markets and season afford, at a moderate scale of charge. The individual proprietors of this noted house are Mr. J. R. Wilson (also President of the Belmont fishing club) and W. J. Purse. They are both native born Canadians, past masters in catering to the wants of the inner man, and have achieved success and widespread popularity by seeking to meet the wants and requirements of each and every one of their numerous and oftentimes fastidious patrons.

## J. CORBRIDGE.

**A**MONG the practical and scientific horseshoers doing business in Toronto, none enjoy a more enviable reputation for skill and reliability than Mr. J. Corbridge, whose forge is located at No. 18 Duchess street. His is the leading establishment of its kind in the east end, and receives a very liberal patronage from horse owners and turfmen from all parts of the city. Mr. Corbridge is of English birth, and acquired a thorough knowledge of his trade in the city of London, whence he removed to this city eleven years ago. Energetic and ambitious, he embarked in business on his own account in 1886, and the success he has achieved demonstrates the high appreciation which the public of Toronto have of the character of his work. He was at first located at No. 15 Alice street, whence he removed to his present address in 1890. Here he occupies premises covering an area of 25 x 130 feet, and employs several assistants. Mr. Corbridge executes all kinds of horseshoeing, trotting horses and roadsters receiving special attention.

## CANADA ACCIDENT ASSURANCE CO.

**D**URING this era of progress and rapid transit many things are found an absolute necessity which were in no way required in the past. One of the most important of them is accident insurance, in which thousands are interested by carrying all their position will admit of, while the great uninsured are quickly realizing it to be as necessary for the benefit and protection of their families as heat for their homes. The company showing the most enterprise and making the biggest bid for this class of business is The Canada Accident Assur-

ance Company, whose head office is at 1740 Notre Dame street, Montreal, under the direction and management of R. Wilson Smith, Esq., President of the company and Lynn T. Leet, Esq., Manager. As an illustration of the enterprise and push of this company they have secured and furnished at 40 Toronto street, opposite the post office, one of the finest offices in the insurance line in Toronto and here are found Mr. W. H. Holland, Superintendent for Ontario, with Mr. John Gouinlock, general agent of the accident branch, and Messrs. Beemer & Day, general agents of the plate glass department. The company is a grand consolidation of four first-class companies, viz: the Canada Accident Assurance Co., the Mutual Accident Assurance Association, the Citizens' Accident Insurance Co. and the Sun Life Insurance Co. (accident branch), thereby making it the strongest Canadian Accident Company with the largest assets of any company doing business in Canada. We think a visit to the offices well worth the time.

### THE TORONTO CARRIAGE REPOSITORY CO.

THE enormous and steady increase in the demand for carriages and vehicles of all grades has rendered this branch of trade one of the most important factors of commercial activity in the Dominion. Toronto has long been recognized as a leading source of supply in this line, and among the best known and most reliable concerns engaged in it is The Toronto Carriage Repository Co., of which Mr. George Taunt is the proprietor and manager. This house is deservedly prominent, and commands an influential trade that covers all sections of the country. It was founded by Mr. Taunt in June, 1890, at No. 84½ King street east. In September, 1892, its name was changed to the present appellation and the business was removed to the premises now occupied at No. 67 and 69 Jarvis street. These consist of a ground floor and basement, each being 52 x 75 feet in area. A very large stock is handled, comprising all kinds of buggies, carts, wagons, harness, etc., sleighs, farm wagons, all the productions of the leading manufacturing concerns in Canada, the stock coming from Orillia, Oshawa, Grimsby, Belleville, London, Brantford and other noted wagon centres. The leading specialties are the Vaughan patent road cart, and also the "Mineola" cart No. 2, which has many points of excellence not found in any other. There is a double attachment connecting the shafts with the body, (which is patented). The seats are so arranged that entrance to the cart is from behind, thus avoiding the unpleasantness of climbing over the shafts. It is essentially a ladies' cart. These two are the only carts on the market positively free from horse motion. Mr. Taunt is a native of Oxford, England, and

is one of Toronto's most energetic and progressive business men. He is a special representative of the McLaughlin Carriage Co., of Oshawa, Ontario, and always has a large stock of this firm's carriages and buggies on hand. It is a noted fact throughout Canada that McLaughlin's make but one grade of work, and that the best. Every vehicle sold by Mr. Taunt is guaranteed, and anyone wanting a first-class carriage, buggy, cart, sleigh or cutter, should not buy until he has first paid this deserving establishment a visit.

### THE SHADES HOTEL.

IN a work of this kind which treats of the resources of the city of Toronto, and which is destined to be read by those who reside elsewhere, it is of course not out of place for us to speak of an establishment where visitors repairing to the city, either for business or pleasure will be enabled to find all the comforts of home, also every civility, courteous attention, and convenience possible to a sojourn in a public hotel. The Shades Hotel was first opened to the public in 1890 by Mr. T. S. Best and since its inception its reputation has spread all over the Dominion. The building is centrally and conveniently located on King street west and is a three storied brick building, admirably arranged, and contains thirty large and very finely furnished bedrooms. In the management of the hotel, everything has been reduced to a complete system and the cuisine leaves nothing to be desired. The cars passing the door touch all the chief points of interest and popular resorts in the city. The building is lighted by electricity and gas; billiard room, reading rooms, baths, etc., are provided. The proprietor, Mr. P. O'Connor, is held in the highest estimation.

### CAPT. R. M. MELVILLE, R.N.R.

ONE of the leading and most successful steamship ticket agents in Toronto is Capt. R. M. Melville, R.N.R., whose office is at 34 Adelaide street east, next door General Post Office. He is the eldest son of a bank manager in Dublin, Ireland and left that city with the intention of seeing the world. Entering the merchant service he made several voyages to the East and West Indies, India, China and Japan, including Australia, New Zealand, and South Sea Islands, Palestine, etc. After going through a course of navigation and seamanship and putting in the necessary time, he went in for the various examinations from third officer upwards till he passed his final for captain; besides these a course in the Royal Naval Reserve gave him a finish as well as rank in the service. About twelve years ago he resigned from his command and came to Toronto, and after a time went into the railway, tourist and steamship ticket business,

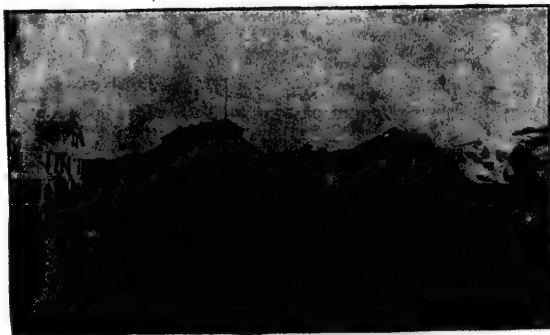
Amongst the various agencies he represents are Messrs. Henry Gage & Sons, general tourist agents, London, England and New York with agencies all over the world. Steamship lines:—Allan, Beaver and Dominion, from Montreal for Europe; Black Diamond for St. John; Hausa Line, for Hamburg; from New York—Allan, State, and Anchor lines, for Glasgow; Guion Royal Mail line for Queenstown and Liverpool; Hamburg American Packet Co. for Southampton and Hamburg; Royal Netherlands for Amsterdam; French line for Havre; Thingvall line for Sweden and Norway; and Bordeaux line, ports south of France. Clyde



and Mallory lines for Jacksonville and Texas ports. Assorted lines for South American ports. From Europe:—The Peninsular and Oriental R. M. S., The Orient line for India, China and Japan. Shaw, Savill and Albion line for New York; and Castle line for South Africa, besides a host of others too numerous to mention. He is also agent for the two Telegraph Companies, C.P.R. and G.N.W., having both instruments in his office. Capt. Melville is highly regarded by the community for his business ability and integrity, and those intending to visit Europe would do well to consult their interest by consulting him.

### THE MUSKOKA MILL AND LUMBER COMPANY.

THE wholesale lumber trade of Toronto is not represented by a more influential and prosperous house than the widely known Muskoka Mill and Lumber Company, whose offices are situated at 24 King street west. This extensive business was established January, 1875, and eventually was incorporated with a paid-up capital of \$150,000, Mr. A. H. Campbell being the President, Mr. J. H. Mayne Campbell, Vice-President, and Mr. A. H. Campbell, Jr., Manager. The mills, which are among the largest and best equipped in Canada, are located in Gibson Township, Muskoka District, Ontario. Here 150 skilled hands are employed



and the trade of the Company, which is steadily increasing, extends throughout Canada and the United States. The Muskoka Mill and Lumber Company deals chiefly in white pine, flooring, sheathing, siding, lath, etc., and promptly fills orders for cargo or car lots at the lowest ruling market prices. Only really choice lumber is handled and substantial advantages are offered to dealers and large buyers. The Toronto office is spacious and well equipped, and they also have branch offices at Bracebridge and at Muskoka Mills. Mr. A. H. Campbell was born in Scotland, while his sons Messrs. J. H. M. and A. H. Campbell, Jr., are Canadians. They are honorable, enterprising and able business men, who are promoting the commerce of Toronto with zeal and success, and we predict for this company a rapidly increasing patronage. A large stock of the best pine lumber is always carried, and the sales of the company

for the last year were about 10,000,000 feet. The company, and the above gentlemen individually, hold over 300 square miles of timber limits that have not yet been worked upon.

### THE BELL ORGAN & PIANO COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE factory of this company is situated in the town of Guelph, and covers several acres, and is the model concern of the kind. An average force of 450 hands are employed in the various departments, under the supervision of the most skillful foremen. The finish of the Bell instruments has always been notably superior, only the best varnishes and judicious hand-rubbing being employed. As to the tone, power and durability of their pianos and organs, we have the voice of the public, of experts everywhere, who prefer the Bell instruments to those of any other make. During the past 30 years, no less than 75,000 of these instruments have been sold. Their Cabinet and Church organs were from the start justly celebrated both here and in Europe, and every year since, fresh improvements have been introduced until they outstrip all competitors. Their Pipe organs are found in many of the principal churches in Canada, and an important fact is that the company has secured the right to use in Canada all the valuable patents, methods, systems and scales used and owned by Frank Roosevelt, of New York, and the Farrand & Votey Organ Co., of Detroit. About six years ago the company began the manufacture of an improved upright piano-forte, which has won a similar success as their organs. They are everywhere pronounced perfect instruments, and command the preference with the best class of trade throughout the Dominion. The growth of the company's trade is marvellous, and is wholly due to the admitted superiority and moderate prices of all instruments manufactured by them. The company has made an arrangement with Messrs. Suckling & Sons, the well-known music publishers of 107 Yonge street, to carry a full stock of the Bell pianos and organs, where patrons will be welcome to make an inspection and critical test. The company's chief European branch is at 95 New Bond street, London; and there are also branch warerooms in Sydney, Australia; Hamilton and London,

Ont., and Montreal. This company is in every respect a source of pride and benefit to the Dominion, as well as reflecting the highest credit upon its officers, whose enterprise and energy are worthy of the solid success achieved.

### A. R. CLARKE & CO.

ONE of the leading industries of Toronto is the manufacture of leather, and the leading house engaged therein is that of Messrs. A. R. Clarke & Co., whose office is at 28 Front street east, and factory at 199 to 209 Eastern avenue. This establishment, both as to its size, equipment and thorough organization, is one of the most representative in America. The most approved processes of manufacture are followed, and the product is much preferred by the best class of trade throughout the Dominion. The business is one of the oldest in Toronto and was started in 1852. From small beginnings it has grown and developed to its present mammoth proportions, solely on the basis of merit, the firm ever maintaining the highest standard of excellence. The Messrs. Clarke are natives of Canada, brought up to the trade, and are recognized authorities therein. They manifest the soundest judgment in the guidance of their business and have developed it upon a solid basis of efficiency. Their factory is a four-story and basement structure of brick, 150 by 250 feet in dimensions, and having direct transportation facilities. On the first floor to the right are the offices and warerooms; on the second and third floors are the factory, cutting rooms, stock and drying rooms. The left side of the building is used for the storing of leather and as a factory for the manufacture of gloves, in which line the firm has achieved marked success. The latest improved machinery and appliances have been introduced, and the motive force is supplied by a fine sixty-horse-power engine. In rear of the main building are the large factories, the entire premises nearly covering a block. The firm select their skins with the greatest care. All the processes of manufacture are conducted under their personal supervision and the highest standard of excellence is ever maintained. Their specialties are the best grades of glazed calf and kid, glazed and dull gondola, and sheep leathers, and in these lines they hold the best class of trade in the Dominion. The firm have branch warehouses in Montreal and Quebec, and make large shipments to manufacturers in the East, as also in the United States. Their brand of gloves also command the best of trade everywhere, and the firm is in every respect specially qualified to maintain the lead. Mr. A. R. Clarke is one of Toronto's old established and responsible manufacturers, who has won an enviable reputation for business ability. Messrs. F. C. and C. E. Clarke are also well known and popular business men.

**ALLCOCK, LAIGHT & WESTWOOD.**

**A**N unbroken record of progress extending over a period of forty years in Canada marks the history of the well known firm of Messrs. Allcock, Laight & Westwood, manufacturers and importers of needles, fish hooks and fishing tackle; also importers and dealers in pins, combs, pearl and other buttons, sewing and machine needles, and general smallwares. The new business premises at No. 73 Bay street, erected according to their plan for their own business purposes, is a substantial four-story building, 28 x 100 feet in dimensions, and is well ordered throughout, while an efficient

supremacy in London in 1851; Melbourne, Australia, in 1880; Murcia, Spain, in 1882; South Africa, in 1877; Sydney, in 1879. They also took gold medals at Paris in 1878; at Wursburg in 1880; at Berlin in 1880; Norwich, England, 1881; three prizes at the International Fisheries Exhibition, London, in 1883; and the highest award in Toronto in 1880-81. No better proof is required to demonstrate the practical utility of the goods of this reliable house, which are notable everywhere for their fine finish, durability and uniform excellence, and the already large trade of the firm is consequently increasing in magnitude and importance. The house has two extensive manufactories in

of woollen-mill machinery and supplies in Canada, and the output of their works is very great. This company was organized as a joint stock company in November, 1892, and its record has since been one of steadily increasing prosperity. The trade extends all over the Dominion, and necessitates the employment of several travelling salesmen, and of a large number of assistants in the various departments. The company occupy a four-story brick building, 80 x 110 feet in dimensions. The works occupy the basement, and are fully equipped with all the best-perfected machinery and appliances, and only the very best obtainable of thoroughly competent workmen are here employed. A heavy stock is at all times carried, from which the largest orders can be promptly filled, while the unrivalled facilities enjoyed enable the company to quote prices and terms which defy competition. This is the only establishment of the kind in Canada. The Telephone call of the office is 1440.



staff of salesmen and workmen is employed. A large stock is constantly kept on hand here and comprehends everything in the line above indicated, including fishing tackle, rods, reels, flies, gut lines, floats, baits, etc. The finest make of superior French fishing baskets and angler's supplies generally; also smallwares and novelties in infinite variety. The firm are direct importers from England, Germany, France and the United States, and are in a position to offer exceptional inducements to the trade, quoting rock-bottom prices, and filling all orders carefully and promptly upon liberal terms, conducting greatly to the advantage of their patrons. The numerous specialties and goods of this house have been heartily appreciated and endorsed by a liberal and influential patronage, and have obtained the highest awards when brought into public competition with similar wares of rival houses. They have received the highest medals for

Redditch, England, which are taxed to their utmost to supply the immense demand for their fishing rods and tackle, and their needles, pins, etc. All who are interested in securing this class of goods would consult their own best interests by placing their orders with this trustworthy house.

**THE PAUL FRIND WOOLLEN MACHINERY CO., Ltd.**

**T**HERE is no more widely known and reliable manufacturing concern in the city of Toronto than The Paul Frind Woollen Machinery Company (Limited), whose works, warehouse and offices are located at Nos. 118 to 122 Duke street. They carry the largest stock

**VANCE & CO.**

**F**EW interests contributing to the general sum of commercial activity to-day in Toronto are of greater importance than the wholesale fruit and produce trade. Prominent among the reliable houses in this line is that of Messrs. Vance & Co., wholesale fruit and commission merchants, whose office and salesrooms are at 63 Colborne street. This business was established in 1888 at the corner of Queen and Simcoe streets by Messrs. Egan & Vance. They dissolved partnership in 1891, when Mr. Vance removed to his present location, where he is conducting business under the title of Vance & Co. He occupies a spacious floor and basement, each being 35 x 60 feet in size, the first floor being devoted to salesrooms, while the basement is used for the storage of bananas, oranges and everything in the fruit line. Mr. Vance has excellent connections in the best producing sections of the country, and deals largely in all kinds of fruit, apples, potatoes, poultry, butter, eggs, cheese, etc., which are offered to retailers at the lowest ruling market prices. He is agent in Toronto for D. E. Foote & Co.'s Compass Brand of Baltimore Bulk Oysters, which are unsurpassed for quality and uniform excellence. Mr. Vance solicits consignments of first class produce, and guarantees always prompt sales and quick returns. He employs five men and his trade, which is steadily increasing, extends throughout the Dominion. Mr. Vance was born in Ireland in 1864, but has resided in Toronto for the past nine years. He is widely known in trade circles as an honorable and able business man. The Telephone call of the office is No. 174.

**THE ANDERSON TRADING CO., Ltd.**

**T**HIS company was organised in October, 1891, and incorporated under the Statutes of the Dominion of Canada in January, 1892. The present paid up capital is \$72,000, and the following gentlemen comprise the board of directors: Isaac Anderson, M. D. Barr, W. C. Matthews, J. W. Curry and J. C. Anderson. The Anderson Trading Co. (Ltd.), are at present the sole owners of all patents pertaining to the Sharpe Recorder for Can-



ada, Great Britain, United States, France and Germany, and they are about to establish in Guelph, Ontario, an extensive plant for the manufacture of cash registers for the British, Colonial and home markets, to be known as The Sharpe Cash Recorder, also other computing machines for banks, mercantile and insurance offices, etc., constructed on the same principle. Mr. John Sharpe, the inventor of the already famous cash register which bears his name, was born in Quebec, of Canadian parents.

For the past three and a-half years he has been incessantly engaged on the Recorder and other calculating devices, now the property of the Anderson Trading Co. Mr. Isaac Anderson, the president of the company, is also a Canadian and was born in Galt, Ontario, and has been prominently known in Toronto business circles for the past twenty-five years. Mr. J. C. Anderson, the general manager of the company, is also a native of Galt, Ontario, and has been a resident of Toronto for the past eight years. The head office of the company is at 36 King street east, directly opposite Leader Lane, in the very centre of the business portion of the city. The Sharpe Cash Recorders are at present manufactured in three different grades, and are just what they are claimed to be—"The only perfect total adding cash registers in the world," whereby any amount from one cent to one hundred dollars can be registered at a single operation of the keys, giving an instantaneous total, and at the same time showing the full amount of the transaction on the tablets. A five years' guarantee is furnished with every machine sold. These machines, being manufactured in our own country, are furnished to purchasers at a saving of fifty per cent. in comparison with inferior machines of foreign manufacture. The prices are as follows: No. 1, \$225; No. 2, \$190; No. 3, \$165. Finally, we would say, The Sharpe Cash Recorder fills the bill in every particular and is as far in advance of any other as an ocean steamer is ahead of a canal boat.

**GOWANS, KENT & CO.**

**T**HIS extensive business was established eighteen years ago, and the house has secured an influential patronage, the trade extending throughout Quebec, Ontario, and Manitoba Province, and the North West. The premises occupied at 10 to 16 Front street east, comprise a spacious four-story building, 100 x 150 feet in area, the handsome offices being on the first floor. They import direct from the most celebrated English, French, German and Belgian houses, and are always the first in Toronto to display the latest novelties. The stock is one of the largest and most valuable in Canada and includes magnificent hand painted china, American and English cut glass, silver-plated ware, lamps, vases, jardinières, fancy goods, bric-a-brac, everything usually found in a first class establishment. One hundred clerks, assistants, etc. are employed. Only the best goods are handled, and the prices quoted defy competition. The

partners are business men of marked ability and integrity, and are promoting the trade of Toronto with discrimination and success, and we predict for them a steady increase of business.

**B. SPAIN.**

**T**ORONTO is a rapidly growing, enterprising city, and has long enjoyed the reputation of having better dressed men than any city in Canada. This happy state of affairs is due in a great measure to the skill and artistic ability of the merchant tailors, and in the front rank of the best of these is Mr. B. Spain, proprietor of the Temple of Fashion at 569 Queen street west. Mr. Spain has been established in business 20 years and owns and occupies a handsome brick building 26 x 100 feet, three stories high, at the above address, and is admirably equipped for all practical purposes. The store presents a handsome and attractive appearance and is well stocked with a choice, carefully selected assortment of the best foreign and domestic fabrics, suitings, trousseings, overcoatings and vestings, cloths, etc., of a superior quality. Mr. Spain receives the new goods, styles and fashions as soon as brought out in London and is always one of the first to introduce them in Toronto. He is a cutter of unusual skill and a first class merchant tailor.

**ROWSSELL AND HUTCHISON.**

**T**HIS firm are to-day among the largest publishers, book and job printers, book binders and blank book manufacturers in Toronto, operating one of the best equipped plants in the Dominion and regularly employing from sixty-five to seventy hands. The premises occupied by the firm are located at 74 and 76 King street east, extending through to Court street. The building is 26 x 60 feet in dimensions, and well arranged and adapted for all needs of the business, the machinery being operated by two electric motors. The firm are prepared to execute all kinds of job and commercial printing, promptly and satisfactorily in any style desired and at lowest prices. They also attend to every description of book-binding and blank book manufacturing, and are also extensive importers of books and stationery. Every department of the business is under the watchful eye of the firm, who devote their entire attention to the prompt and faithful fulfilment of all commissions placed in their hands. No house in Toronto has a wider reputation for prompt and thoroughly good work and its trade now extends throughout all portions of Ontario and Halifax to Vancouver. Both partners are Canadians by birth and highly respected in trade circles for their business ability and honorable and upright business methods.



**CHAS. ARNOLD.**

ONE of the most popular representatives of his special line of business in this city is Mr. Charles Arnold, the New York florist, whose handsome store is at 506 Queen street west. Mr. Arnold has been identified with this special business all his life and came here from New York four years ago and has since been located on the west side and supplying a large fashionable patronage. He displays most excellent good taste in the arrangement of cut flowers and furnishes bouquets and original floral designs for weddings, parties, etc., also funeral emblems at the shortest notice and reasonable prices. Every day fresh cut flowers are received, roses, pinks, tulips, chrysanthemums, violets, etc., and orders for special designs or any kinds of flowers or plants receive immediate attention.

**HENDRIE & CO.**

THIS business was originally established in 1855, after the system of Pickford & Co., the great railway carriers of Great Britain, and eventually incorporated with ample capital. Mr. Wm. Hendrie being the President, Mr. Wm. Hendrie, Jr., Managing Director, and Mr. Wm. Wilkie, Agent. Messrs. Hendrie & Co. are cartage agents for the Grand Trunk Railway, and transact a general teaming and forwarding business, and promptly fill orders at the lowest possible figures. The transfer of safes, engines, boilers, machinery, monuments, plate glass, etc., and all heavy hauling is executed expeditiously and carefully. All goods entrusted to the company are insured promptly at lowest rates, and for moving pianos and furniture they have specially constructed trucks and vans. Their place of business is located at 2 Scott street. The officers are honorable and able business men, who stand deservedly high in the business circles of Toronto, and their success is as substantial as it is well merited.

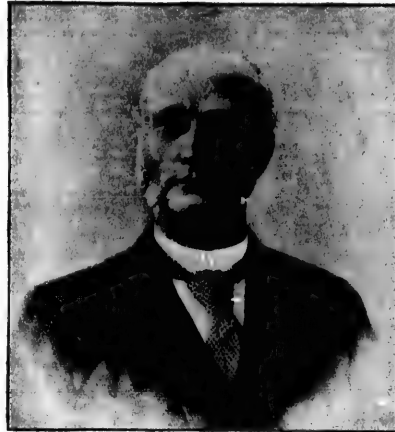
**GEO. HOWELL.**

THIS establishment was opened about a year ago by the present proprietor and it has since become prominent as the "cheapest shoe house in the city." The trade is rapidly increasing in magnitude and is of the most substantial character. The store is located at 542 and 544 Queen street west, and is fitted up with ornamental fixtures and all the surroundings are in keeping with the character of the business. The stock is large and has been carefully selected and embraces a fine assortment of boots and shoes in the newest and most fashionable styles for ladies, gentlemen's, misses', boys' and children's wear, also rubbers, slippers and fancy shoes of every description.

Mr. Howell has had a long and valuable experience in the boot and shoe trade and for a period of 12 years was with Cooper & Smith as their agent. He is a business man of energy and enterprise and popularly known in the best commercial circles. He was born in Canada and has been a resident of Toronto many years.

**MASSACHUSETTS BENEFIT LIFE ASSOCIATION.**

ONE of the strongest and most liberal life insurance companies in the world is the Massachusetts Benefit Life Association of Boston, Mass. This company

**GEO. A. LITCHFIELD, PRESIDENT.**

was incorporated under the laws of the State of Massachusetts in 1878 and from the start has been successful and prosperous. A few figures will show the strength and amount of business transacted. The policy-holders are upwards of 40,000 in number, and the amount of insurance in force, \$105,000,000.00. The amount paid in losses is over \$7,000,000, and the cash surplus over \$1,000,000. The head office for the Domin-

ion of Canada is located in this city in the Freehold Loan building, corner Victoria and Adelaide streets, and is under the management of Mr. Thos. E. P. Sutton, an experienced insurance man of unquestioned reputation and ability, and who has, since assuming charge of the business here, written many thousand dollars in premiums, which speaks volumes for his ceaseless energy and wise efforts. The company has deposited with the Dominion Government \$50,000 for the security of the Canadian policy-holders. Mr. Sutton is a native of Canada and popular in insurance circles in this city. He is an active member of the Masonic fraternity. The Massachusetts Benefit Life Association is now issuing a

**THOS. E. P. SUTTON, MANAGER CANADIAN DEPARTMENT.**

policy contract, which embraces all the provisions that the experience of the past twelve years has suggested as practicable and desirable for the insured. Correspondence is solicited and circulars will be sent to any address by Mr. Sutton or any of his agents throughout Canada. The Massachusetts Benefit Life Association has in force about \$12,000,000 all in Canada and is rapidly increasing.

## N. J. BOURDON.

**I**N referring to the hat and fur trade no one in this community is more favorably known in the business or more widely recognized as a leader than Mr. N. J. Bourdon, whose handsome, attractive store, 25 x 65 feet in dimensions, is situated at 486 Queen street west. Mr. Bourdon started at the bottom of the ladder and has won his present enviable position in business circles by persistent effort and untiring energy. He was formerly connected with the well known house of J. H. Reggina, and has had a valuable experience in the hat and fur trade, and established his business in this city in 1890. Mr. Bourdon manufactures all his own fur garments, and carries a full and complete stock of goods, comprising



the latest English and American felt hats, of his own direct importation; also fine silk hats, caps, etc., and a full and complete line of furs of every kind—seal sacks, gloves, caps, capes, cloaks, boas, muffs for ladies and gentlemen, also sleigh and carriage robes, and everything in the line of furs. He makes a special business of manufacturing fur garments to order, also cleaning and dyeing and altering furs to the prevailing styles. Mr. Bourdon is a native of Montreal, and during the time he has resided in this city has secured a large and fashionable patronage. He is very moderate in his prices, and fully guarantees all his goods to be strictly as represented.

## ST. CHARLES RESTAURANT.

**O**NE of the most popular and successful caterers and restaurateurs in Toronto is T. J. Best, proprietor of the well known St. Charles Restaurant, 70 Yonge street. This business was originally established in 1875, and after various changes in the proprietorship came in the hands of Mr. T. J. Best, who is now conducting it. The building occupied is four stories and basement high and has dimensions of 50 x 160 feet. Throughout in all departments it is handsomely fitted up, furnished and decorated, and presents a handsome, attractive appearance. On the ground floor is located the café and lunch counter; on the second is the general dining room, and on the third, the ladies' dining room. Mr. Best is a most excellent caterer and provides the best of everything when in season, including the substantial, delicacies and dainties for his guests. He is very moderate in his prices and his well-kept, popular establishment is liberally patronized by the best classes of the citizens. Competent waiters and assistants are employed and every care and attention paid to patrons. Mr. Best is well and favorably known and a popular citizen of Toronto for many years. He is a courteous, pleasant gentleman and sustains a high reputation in all classes of our community.

## NEOSTYLE DUPLICATING APPARATUS.

**O**NE of the best devices ever invented for duplicating writing, type-writing, drawings, music, etc., is the Neostyle Duplicating Apparatus which was invented by Mr. D. Gestener, of London, Eng., in 1884 and was known as the Cyclostyle, but since then many valuable improvements have been introduced and the name changed to Neostyle. This apparatus is simple, reliable, economical, clean and durable and has none of the disadvantages of other processes and 2,000 fac-simile copies of writing, drawing, designs, etc., in indelible, black, or colored ink can be taken on any ordinary paper. It has superseded all other duplicating apparatus and to-day is in use in over 50,000 offices and institutions. Mr. W. E. Oldham, the manager of the Canadian agency, is a native of London, England, and is well and popularly known in this city. His office is No. 10 King street east and he supplies the wholesale trade throughout Canada. An illustrated circular giving full information, price list, testimonials, etc., will be sent to any address on request.

## F. H. PRIEST.

**T**HE premises occupied in the prosecution of this enterprise are 20 x 65 feet in dimensions, and located at 318 Spadina avenue. Mr. Priest makes a specialty of all the leading and most popular brands of flour and choice breakfast cereals, general produce, and pressed hay, straw, feed, meal, etc. The trade comes from the city and vicinity and is of the most substantial character. Mr. Priest was born and raised in Canada, and as a business man always enjoyed a high reputation. He receives his supplies direct from the best producing sources and can always quote the very lowest market prices, and fills orders with promptness and despatch.

## TORONTO PARISIAN LAUNDRY.

**T**HIS laundry is located at 104 Queen street east, is amply spacious in dimensions, and a force of skilled hands are kept constantly employed. Laundry work is called for and delivered without extra charge and every care and attention paid to the requirements of patrons. Shirts, collars and cuffs are laundried in the best style and extra care taken with family laundry, so as not to injure the most delicate fabrics. Lace curtains are done up to look equal to new, and for promptness and reliability this popular laundry is unsurpassed. Mr. Wood is a native of Canada. He has had quite an extended experience in the laundry business and has achieved an enviable reputation, and built up a large trade, which still gives evidence of steady increase.

## JOHN MOXON.

**A**MONG the best known butchers in the St. Lawrence Market is Mr. John Moxon, who has been established in the market since 1886 and since 1892 occupied stall No. 27. His experience as a purveyor of meats to the public has secured for him a large first class patronage and he is doing a flourishing business. He slaughters the finest and best cattle obtainable and always has on sale the choicest and best beef, veal, lamb, mutton and pork, also smoked and salt meats of every kind. His stall is well arranged and attractively fitted up and presents a neat and handsome appearance. Orders are called for and delivered promptly and polite assistants always in attendance. Mr. Moxon sells for cash and is very moderate in his prices, while his meats are fresh, pure and wholesome. He is a native of Toronto and has been a butcher and dealer in meats for a period of 12 years.

## JOHN UNDERWOOD &amp; CO.

THE representative house in the Dominion manufacturing inks, etc., is that of John Underwood & Co., with head offices in this city and New York, and branch in Chicago. The house in this city was established in 1887, and is under the immediate management of Mr. J. J. Bryson, an experienced, practical young man and skilled chemist. He is an American by birth, and was for some time prior to coming to this city, with the firm in New York. The firm manufacture Underwood's English Ink and Mucilage, which have a wide reputation and no superiors in the world. The brands of the firm are highly esteemed by the trade and the public throughout all the principal cities and towns in the Dominion and the United States for their uniform excellence, and are always in demand. The ink and mucilage are used by the Dominion and Provincial Governments, the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Railways, and by the Governments of the United States and Great Britain, and all the leading banks, insurance corporations and mercantile establishments. The premises utilized for the purposes of the business in this city are at 14 and 16 Johnston street, and are spacious and commodious, and in the manufacturing department a force of skilled hands is employed. The firm also manufacture and deal in type-writer ribbons and supplies, and carbon paper of a superior quality, and supply a wide spread trade. Mr. Bryson is highly regarded in this city as an energetic and able business man and sustains a high reputation. Samples of these famous inks will be sent to any address from either the Toronto, New York or Chicago houses on application.

## THE DORENWEND ELECTRIC BELT &amp; TRUSS CO.

THE use of electricity as a curative of bodily weaknesses and diseases may be said to be still in its infancy, yet we find the ablest scientists of the age devoting their entire ability to the study of it. In this connection we desire to refer to Mr. Dorenwend of this city, the widely known and able manager of The Dorenwend Electric Belt and Truss Co., No. 227 Spadina avenue. This gentleman, who is a native of Canada, and still on the sunny side of 30, has gained a world-wide reputation as an electrician, and as the inventor of many electrical appliances, chief among the latter being his electric belt and truss, which is now extensively used in all parts of the civilized world. The Dorenwend body battery, belt and truss, are especially adapted for the relief and cure of all weaknesses and diseases of the stomach, liver, brain, lungs, throat, kidneys, bowels, spine, heart, urinary organs, muscular and venous

systems, and are applicable to both male and female. It is impossible, within the limits of this brief sketch, to enter into any details, but we strongly advise all our readers who may be suffering from the weaknesses of any of these organs, to communicate with Mr. Dorenwend.

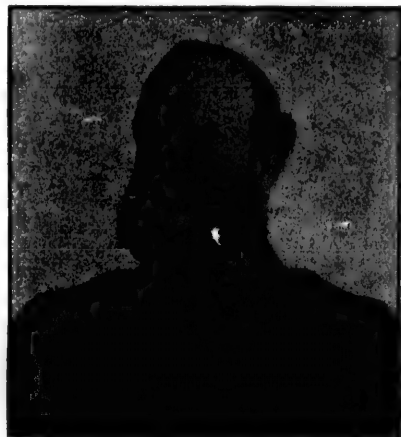
## SAML J. REEVES.

THIS printing house was established in 1876, and enjoys a large and extensive patronage in all branches of the job printing business. The plant occupies a three-story building at 619 Queen street west, and is well equipped with presses of latest and best patterns and all styles and kinds of type suitable for executing every variety of plain and ornamental work and also all the necessary and numerous fixtures which enter into the make up of a first class printing establishment. Mr. Reeves gives employment to seven skilled printers, who are capable of turning out the best and most artistic work. This printing house executes all manner of job-work, including the finest of commercial work, catalogues, prospectuses, circulars, note and letter heads, statements, envelopes, bill heads. This work is perfectly executed and promptly and at close figures. The general character of the work is without fault. Mr. Reeves is also an issuer of marriage licences, a dealer in real estate and operates in fire insurance. He has met with great success in the lines of business in which he is engaged and is one of Toronto's industrious, pushing and popular business men, and enjoys the public esteem in a high degree. Mr. Reeves is a native Torontonian and has achieved business success.

## THOMAS HEYS.

ONE of the leading and most expert consulting and analytical chemists in Ontario is Mr. Thomas Heys, whose assay and analytical laboratory in Toronto are located at 137 King street west. Mr. Heys, who is a thoroughly scientific chemist, commenced the practice of this profession in this city in 1873, and has acquired an honorable reputation for the reliable manner in which he attends to all commissions. He makes careful analyses of ores, metals, paints, oils, fertilizers, waters and medicinal preparations, while mineral locations and manufacturing processes are reported on. Mr. Heys has performed many important analyses in an able manner, his accompanying reports being of the highest value, while his rates are remarkably moderate. The premises occupied are 50 x 50 feet in area, and the laboratory is fully equipped with modern apparatus and appliances, Mr. Heys is assisted by his son, Mr. C. H. Heys, who has

been thoroughly trained in the profession, and Mr. Rosebrugh, who was a science student in the Toronto University and the Ontario College of Pharmacy. Mr. T. Heys was born in Lancashire, England, while Mr. C. H. Heys is a native of Toronto. They are highly esteemed for their integrity and talents, and no more capable and reliable analytical chemists can be found in the ranks of the profession. Ores are sent to Mr. Heys from all parts of Canada and the United States for analysis, and some



ores have also reached him from Australia. This is the only general assay and analytical laboratory in Toronto, and is situated opposite the Rossin House. In conclusion, we would observe that the field for the exercise of chemical investigations has been rapidly widening during the last few years, until now the demands for carefully executed scientific work of this character are very numerous, while in the line of commercial and technical products the endorsement of the skilled chemical analyst like Mr. Heys is absolutely necessary at the present time to secure a respectful public hearing as to their merits.

### CORTICELLI SILK CO., LIMITED.

THIS is the Toronto Branch, No. 22 Wellington street west, of the famous Corticelli Silk Co., Limited, whose headquarters and factory in Canada are situated in St. John's, Province Quebec. The company also have mills at Florence, Mass.; Hartford, Conn.; New London, Conn., etc., and branches in Montreal, New York, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis, San Francisco, St. Paul, Philadelphia, Baltimore, etc. In Toronto a commodious first floor and basement are occupied, each being 25 x 75 feet in area, the basement being devoted to



MILLS AT FLORENCE, MASS., U.S.A.

the storage of cabinets for silk goods, while the first floor is utilized for stock. Here is kept a complete assortment of the company's spool silk, wash silk, embroidery, filosele, knitting silk, arrasene, serges, satins, silk braids, mohair braids, roll braids, mittens, silk hosiery, etc., which are offered to jobbers and retailers at the lowest possible prices. The goods of the Corticelli Silk Company are unsurpassed for finish, quality and uniform excellence, and have no superiors in America or Europe. The demand for them is steadily increasing, and they are general favorites wherever introduced owing to their superiority and intrinsic merits. Mr. W. R. Milligan, the Toronto manager, was born in Canada. He is widely known for his promptness and strict integrity, and under his careful guidance the business of the company in

Ontario and the North West has assumed its present proportions. The Corticelli Silk Company is incorporated in Canada with the Brainerd & Armstrong Company, whose wash silks are standards with the trade.

### H. BRADFORD CLARK.

AT the present day the manufacturers' agent or representative plays an important part in various industries. This avenue of sale, the connecting link between the manufacturer and dealer, is becoming more and more the order and method of trade, and many useful articles

and fabrics of domestic and foreign manufacture are now controlled in the Dominion of Canada by those who are technically called manufacturers' agents. In this connection, special reference is made in this Commercial Review of Toronto to Mr. H. Bradford Clark, the widely known representative of foreign manufacturers, whose office and salesrooms are situated at 32 Colborne street. Mr. Clark established this agency in 1890, and his trade now extends throughout the Maritime Provinces, Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, and the North-west. The premises occupied comprise two spacious floors, each being 20 x 100 feet in area, fully equipped with every convenience. Mr. Clark represents several famous French and Belgian firms, and keeps constantly on hand a choice stock

of furniture coverings, saddle bags, mohair and silk plushes, curtains, table covers, linen tickings, Hessians, etc. Only really first-class and desirable goods are handled, which are offered to jobbers and retailers at manufacturers' prices. Orders are carefully attended to, and complete satisfaction is guaranteed patrons. Mr. Clark is widely known for his business ability and integrity, and is very popular in trade circles. The cable address of the house is "Brad Clark, Toronto."

### EQUITABLE SAVINGS, LOAN & BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

THE true principles of co-operation are embodied in the modern and improved methods of savings, loan

and building associations, and the best exponent of these in the city of Toronto is that known as The Equitable Savings, Loan and Building Association, whose head offices are situated at 24 Toronto street. This reliable and progressive association was incorporated in March 1892, and its present executive officers are, Mr. H. O'Hara, president; Mr. John A. McGillivray, Q.C., vice-president, and Mr. E. A. Taylor, manager. This is a purely mutual association, its purposes being to accumulate by small monthly payments a fund to be loaned solely to its members to buy or build homes, and thus to afford the safest and most profitable form of investing the small savings of wage-earners and salaried men. Members can subscribe for one up to 300 shares, paying for them in monthly installments of 60 cts. per share. In about 8 years the stock matures, and the principal is paid in cash. There are no extra assessments, no preferred stock holders to absorb any of the profits, and no high salaried officers. There is thus no danger of forfeiture, and the association's officers are under heavy bonds. The officers are capable, honorable and experienced business men, and their identification with the Equitable Savings, Loan and Building Association is a sure guarantee of success. All loans are made only to members, and to the full face value of their stock, secured by first mortgage on improved real estate. Those loans are invariably obtained to secure a home, and in eight years a member owns his own homestead, instead of having only a bundle of rent receipts. By all means we urge wage-earners and salaried men to join the Equitable and begin to save. The career of the Equitable has been remarkably successful, and it is now going ahead rapidly. It has a plan which combines absolute safety with all the profits earned. In this way the wage earner's monthly savings earn the same proportionate profits as the capitalist's millions. A saving of \$6 a month will yield \$1,000 in about eight years, and \$15 a month invested in their Investment Stock will yield \$2,500 in the same time. For further details those interested are requested to call on or write to the manager, or to any of the Equitable's agents.

### P. G. GODARD.

IN reviewing the various branches of industrial and commercial enterprise in Toronto, we wish to make special mention of the house of Mr. P. G. Godard, located at No. 455 Yonge street, whose operations largely contribute to the extension of the trade of the city. Mr. Godard is a large manufacturer of upholstery goods and dealer in cabinet furniture. The business was established in 1873 by Godard & Callister, and carried on by them as partners until 1881, when Mr. Callister died, and Mr.

Elgie became a member of the firm, and for a period up to seven years since the business was conducted as Godard & Elgie, when Mr. Godard became sole proprietor, and under its present management it is a leading house of Toronto in its line of upholstery manufacture. Mr. Godard carries a stock of not less value than \$3,000, which embraces everything that is new in design and style and of first quality, parlor, drawing, and dining room furniture, decorative articles of various kinds, bronzes, etc. The premises comprise a building of three stories, 30 x 40 feet in dimensions. He employs seven skilled hands, and his trade extends throughout Manitoba, Quebec and Ontario. His stock is carefully selected and includes the finest upholstery goods, trimmings, fringes, etc., and his productions are of the best workmanship. Mr. Godard came from Brighton, England, in 1869, and has been an honored resident of Toronto for twenty-three years, and stands high in business circles.

#### GEORGE WHITE & SON.

THE leading house in Toronto actively engaged in an artistic industry is that of Messrs. George White & Son, whose factory and sale-rooms are situated at 57 and 59 Sherbourne street. This business was established twenty years ago by Mr. Geo. White, who conducted it till 1888, when he admitted his son, Mr. G. A. White, into partnership. They occupy a substantial three-story brick building 25 x 80 feet in area. The work rooms are fully equipped with modern machinery and appliances, operated by a six-horsepower steam engine, and twenty-five skilled hands are employed. Messrs. G. White & Son manufacture dress and cloak trimmings, undertakers' trimmings, fringe, cord, tassels, gimps, etc., which are unsurpassed for quality, elegance and finish, and have no superiors in the Dominion. Many of the goods made by this firm are of peculiar design, and are manufactured by no other house in Canada. They make their own dyes, and can color any kind of fabric. Orders are filled with dispatch at the lowest possible figures, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout the Dominion. The business is both wholesale and retail, and three traveling salesmen represent the house. Mr. Geo. White was born in England where he learnt this business, while Mr. G. A. White is a Canadian. They are widely known and highly regarded for their business skill and strict probity, and in this special industry have achieved a substantial success, their goods being general favorites wherever introduced, always commanding a ready sale.

#### THE PEOPLES LIFE INSURANCE CO.

THE Peoples Life Insurance Company of Toronto, Canada, whose head office is located at 78 Victoria street, was duly incorporated by Special Act of the

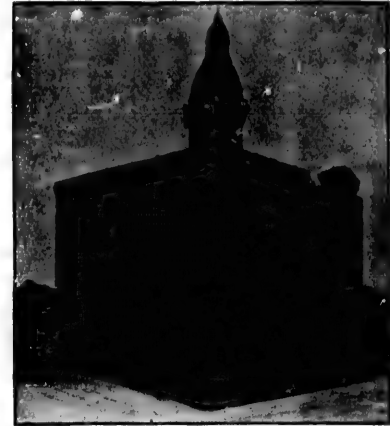
Legislature in 1892, and has placed a full deposit with the Government. The present management is able, energetic and honorable, and the directorate is composed of some of the most influential and successful business men in the province. The Peoples Life Insurance Company issues all the latest and most improved forms of policies, among them being that by limited payments, the surplus accruing upon those policies is distributed at the end of the period for which they are issued to the holders of such of them as may still be in force, so that very liberal returns upon their outlay will be secured to those who complete the full amount of their payments. The following are the options offered for limited payment policies, viz: (1) The surplus may be withdrawn in cash and the policy may be allowed to continue as a paid-up policy. (2) The surplus may be withdrawn in cash, and the policy surrendered for an amount specified in the policy, which is equal to the reserve thereon. (3) The policy may be continued as a paid-up insurance, and the surplus applied to the purchase of an additional amount of insurance. Few companies have met with the same success in the same period of their history as this reliable company. Mr. E. J. Lomnitz, the manager, is a recognized exponent of the best methods of Life Insurance, and is highly regarded for his ability and integrity.

#### J. L. JONES.

ENGRAVING, during the last few years, on wood has been advanced to a high plane of perfection, and it is safe to say, that no branch of art requires a more practical training and artistic skill. The leading exponent of this beautiful art in the city of Toronto is Mr. J. L. Jones, whose office and work-rooms are situated at 84 to 12, King street east. Mr. Jones commenced business as an artist wood engraver in 1884, and has secured a liberal and influential patronage, not only in all sections of Canada, but also in the United States and Great Britain. Ten skilled engravers are constantly employed, and he makes a specialty of first-class illustrations for catalogues, books, magazines, etc., of means of wood engravings, and all photo processes. His specialty, however, is wood engraving. Mr. Jones is the only one in Canada who handles box wood for engravers' use, the wood being carefully selected and imported from the United States. Mr. Jones has been awarded medals, etc., for the superiority and beauty of his work at the Colonial Exhibition, England, 1886; Gold Medal at Jamaica, 1891; Bronze Medal at St. John's, N.B.; two prizes at the Toronto Exhibition; first prize at Sherbrooke. He was born in Coventry, England, but has resided in Canada for the last eighteen years, and is highly esteemed for his artistic skill and ability.

#### ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS is the largest and strongest fire insurance company in the world and has achieved a distinguished success. It has ever pursued a policy founded on the principles of equity, probity and financial soundness, and has built up a connection throughout the civilized world.



The Royal is both a fire and life company, and has never failed to pay a just claim when due. The total cash assets of this strong underwriting institution are over \$4,200,000.00 and the cash surplus beyond all liabilities exclusively for fire losses exceeds \$12,000,000. The head office for Canada is in Montreal, and the representatives for Toronto district are Messrs. Kay & Banks, with office corner Yonge and Wellington streets. Mr. John Kay is originally from Edinburgh, Scotland, and Mr. A. F. Banks from Liverpool, England. The firm has been identified with the fire insurance business many years and widely and favourably known in business and social circles in this city.

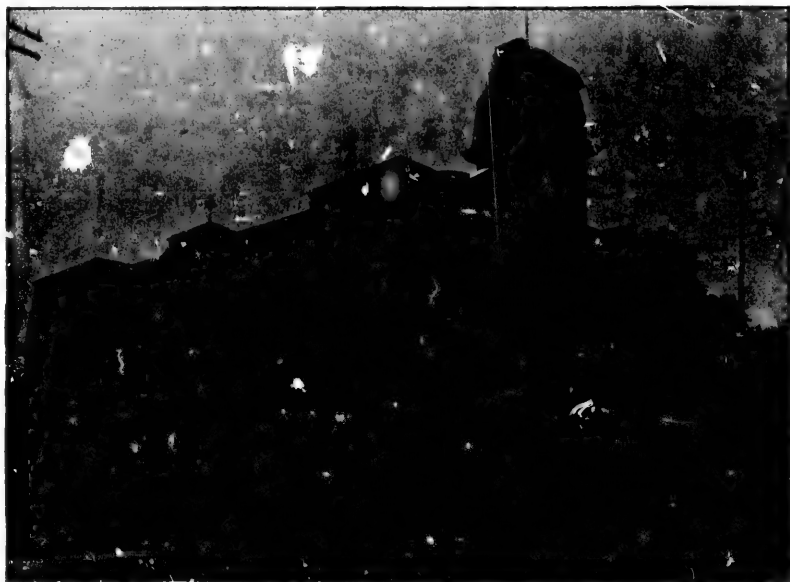
## AVONDALE HOTEL.

**T**ORONTO is favored with the benefits and advantages derived from having in her midst some of the best hotels in the Dominion—hostelries pronounced by competent authorities as best illustrating in their manage-

ment, the modern art of modern hotel keeping. Among such there are none more worthy of special mention in this review than the deservedly popular Avondale Hotel, which occupies a niche in public favor peculiarly its own. This house has been in existence for the past

twelve years, and recently its proprietorship was assumed by Mr. W. R. Kindree, under whose able management it certainly seems destined to enjoy a degree of popularity never before accorded to it. With characteristic enterprise Mr. Kindree has had the place renovated from roof

first-class house, and is naturally a prime favorite with both the resident and transient public. The hotel building is a handsome and substantial three-story brick structure, admirably located opposite the Government grounds and but one block from the Union depot. It is perfectly heated by steam, lighted by gas, thoroughly ventilated, and equipped with electric annunciators and other modern conveniences. The *cuisine* is par excellence the very best the season and markets afford; the appointments are first-class in every particular, the service of a superior character, while the bar is stocked with the choicest brands of wines, liquors and cigars. The office, bar and dining room (which seats seventy-five) are conveniently situated on the first-floor, while above are magnificently furnished parlors for ladies, irrespective of the large suite of light, airy and comfortable sleeping apartments. Everything, indeed, is new, neat, fresh and inviting, and all advantages considered, one seldom finds such comforts and conveniences at the same figures (from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per day) as are provided for his guests by "mine host" of the "Avondale." Mr. Kindree, who was formerly favorably identified with the well-known wholesale grocery house of F. W. Humphrey, has inaugurated a thorough system of organization in every department of the hotel, and being no mere ornamental figure-head, but a hard worker in every sense of the term, personally sees to the comfort of each and every one of his numerous guests. We congratulate him upon his pronounced success in the role of "Boniface," and unless all signs fail, the popularity and prosperity of the "Avondale" under his efficient management, are bound to endure and increase.



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to cellar, while at the same time improvements have been introduced which cannot but conduce to the favorable verdict of all who ever experience the hospitalities of the house. To-day, in fact, the Avondale ranks unquestionably as an excellently appointed,



### THE POOLE PRINTING CO., Ltd.

**T**HE office of The Poole Printing Company, of Toronto, Ltd., is one of the best equipped and most reliable establishments in its line in Canada. The present company, which was incorporated in 1893, is composed of men of ability, gained by long experience in the business. The premises of the company are large and especially suitable for their business and are furnished with the latest and most improved equipments. The press-room contains seven printing machines, four cylinders and three Gordons, also all other modern requirements essential to a first-class printing house. The composing room is supplied with a stock of the newest type faces all of which have been purchased within the past two years. The work turned out by this firm has gained for the company a wide reputation for neat and tasty work, in plain and fancy printing and embossing. In any line of letter press-work, including Catalogue, Commercial and Book printing, posters, etc., satisfaction is guaranteed on every job turned out. "No order too large or too small" is the motto of this concern, to which might be added neat and prompt execution at reasonable prices. THE EDUCATIONAL JOURNAL, Canada's leading educational periodical, is one of the journals published at this office, where all communications with reference to advertising should be sent. Regarding the work done by this company, *Printer and Publisher*, the best authority on printing in Canada, said recently: "The Poole Printing Company, Ltd., is doing some of the best press work in the city." The offices and work rooms of the company are at 8 and 10 Lombard street, Toronto, and their Telephone number is 2194.



### T. JORGENSEN.

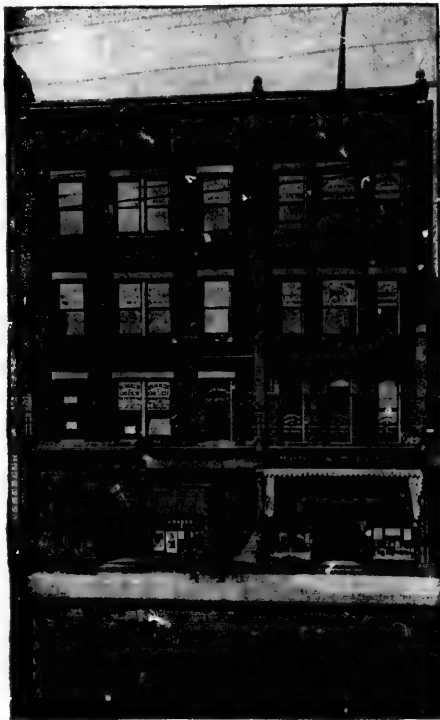
**T**HE trade of the jeweler and watchmaker, has many able representatives in the city of Toronto' foremost among them in skill and reliability being the gentleman whose name heads this sketch, Mr. T. Jorgenson, widely known as "Jorgenson the Jeweler." He was born in Denmark, and there acquired a thorough mastery of his art. He removed to this city in 1884, and at once founded his present house, and the excellence of his workmanship, combined with the superior quality of his goods, soon gained for him the confidence and favor of the public. His store, at No. 190 West Queen street, is one of the most attractive on that great business thoroughfare. It is of ample dimensions, fitted up with large plate glass display windows and the stock is of great value, and includes diamonds and other precious stones, jewelry of all kinds, solid gold and silver watches, silver and plated ware, etc.

### BEAL BROTHERS.

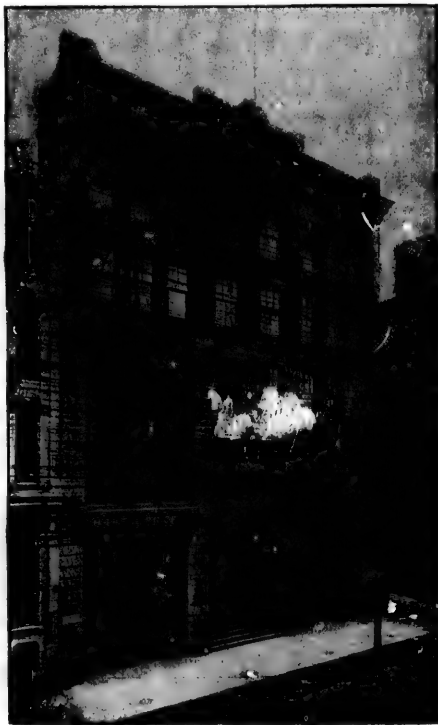
**A** VERY prominent and thoroughly representative house in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. Beal Brothers, tanners, importers and dealers in leather findings, etc., whose offices and salesrooms are located at 52 Wellington street east. This extensive and steadily increasing business was established in 1881 by Messrs. R. M. and G. P. Beal, who have since built up a permanent and influential patronage extending from Newfoundland to British Columbia. Both partners are thoroughly practical tanners and leather merchants, who possess influential connections and perfect facilities, enabling them to offer substantial inducements to the trade. The premises occupied comprise a spacious five-story building, 25 x 125 feet in area, fitted up with every convenience for the accommodation of the immense, choice and valuable stock. The first floor is devoted to sole leather, the second to offices, shipping department and general stock, the third to assorted leather, while the fourth floor is utilized for the manufacture of closed uppers, and the fifth for storage and manufacturing purposes. The stock includes all kinds of sole, harness and saddle leather, French and English calf, linings, uppers, shoe findings, etc. Only really desirable and first-class goods are handled, which are offered to the trade at the lowest possible prices. They keep four travellers on the road continually, who cover the whole Dominion from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and orders entrusted to their care always have prompt and careful attention, as well as orders by mail or in person. Both members of the firm are natives of Canada.

## HART &amp; RIDDELL.

**N**O Toronto house has achieved a more enviable reputation than that of Messrs. Hart & Riddell, the widely celebrated publishers, stationers, bookbinders, etc., whose establishment is conceded to be the best in the country for a high class of lithographing, printing, engraving, and blank book work. This business was established in 1873 by Hart & Co. and succeeded by the present firm in 1892. They have recently removed their wholesale and manufacturing department to the present address, 27 Wellington street west, which are more commodious and better adapted to their business. They are equipped with every appliance and convenience that can be suggested for facilitating the transaction of business and cover an area of 30 x 130 feet, consisting of a five-story brick building and basement. First floor consists of the offices, general shipping, stationery, etc.; second floor, printing office; third floor, bindery; fourth floor, lithographing, engraving and embossing; fifth floor, storage. The basement is used for engine and boiler room and for storing heavy packages. They have the most complete departments of any house in this line in the Dominion. They publish very extensively, and their trade extends through Canada, from Halifax to Victoria, they have also three travellers representing the firm on the road. With their equipment and staff of skilful workmen they offer substantial inducements to customers in every department of the stationery and printing trade. They do strictly first-class work, and among their patrons may be mentioned some of the largest concerns in the country. An important department is that devoted to the manufacturing of the flat opening bank books, which are bound by the Frey patent flat opening process, which secures the greatest strength and flexibility, and which has recently been adopted by the Dominion Government for the making of the blank books used in the various departments. The firm consists of Mr. S. R. Hart and Mr. M. Riddell. Mr. Hart is a Canadian; Mr. Riddell is from Glasgow, Scotland, and was connected with the well known house of William Collins, Sons & Co., Limited, Scotland. Their business house is typical of the best methods and most skilful work, and both members are worthy of the enviable reputation achieved and of the healthy, growing trade developed in their branch of industry. The retail branch of their business, consisting of their well known fine stationery, book and periodical departments, is located at 12 King street west, in large handsome premises, north side near the corner of Yonge.



NO. 12 KING STREET WEST.



NO. 27 WELLINGTON STREET WEST.

## JOHN YOUNG.

**T**HE oldest undertaking establishment in this city is that of J. Young, 347 Yonge street. This business was established many years ago by the late John Young and after death, in 1885, was purchased by the present proprietor Alex. Millard, who has devoted the past twenty years of his life to the work of an undertaker and embalmer. There is no one in Ontario who has done more for the profession than Mr. Millard and his efforts for the upbuilding of the undertakers are appreciated by those with whom he is associated. In 1892 and again in 1893 he was elected President of the Ontario Undertakers' Association, an organization that has nearly five hundred members. His offices and warerooms are very complete and are especially adapted for the comfort and convenience of his customers and contain the finest and most complete stock of funeral goods and best undertaking equipment in this Province. Mr. Millard has a most efficient staff of assistants, all of whom were trained by himself. The public can rest assured that any business entrusted to Mr. Millard will meet with intelligent, courteous and able services. The business is still carried on under the well known name of J. Young, at the old stand, 347 Yonge street. Telephone 679.

## M. McCONNELL.

**T**HIS flourishing business was established in 1873, and the trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion. The premises occupied at 46 Colborne street comprise a substantial four-story building with spacious cellars, where is kept a stock of goods valued at over \$100,000.00. The assortment of foreign goods includes full line of fine imported sherries, ports, brandies, gins, rums, Scotch and Irish whiskey, clarets, champagnes, still sparkling Burgundies, hock and Rhine wines, and cased goods of every description which commend their own superior merits to the confidence and patronage of critical buyers. A specialty is made of the finest champagnes, brandies, and whiskies, which are sold under a guarantee to give perfect satisfaction to the trade. Orders are carefully filled at the lowest possible prices, and the wines and liquors of this responsible house are admirably suited for a first class hotel, club and drug trade. This is the best selected stock of wines and liquors in Toronto, and nine clerks are constantly employed. Mr. McConnell imports direct from the most celebrated foreign houses, and makes a specialty of handling the finest brands of Havana cigars. Several travelling salesmen represent the house. Mr. McConnell is an energetic, liberal and honorable merchant, who is very prominent in trade circles.

## COLES &amp; McARTHUR.

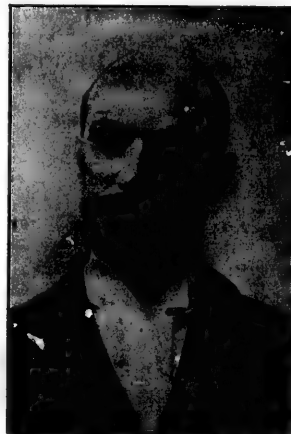
**A** PROMINENT and reliable house in its line in this city is that of Coles & McArthur, importers and dealers in foreign and domestic wines and liquors, situated No. 491 Queen street west. The business was established nine years ago by the firm and a large and steadily growing trade has been built up. The premises utilized for the purposes of the business are admirably arranged and equipped with every facility for filling orders and meeting the demands of the patrons. Mr. Coles imports and deals in the choicest foreign wines, champagnes, ports, sherries, clarets, also Jamaica rum, Holland gin and Canadian and American whiskies, Dublin stout, London ales, etc. They bottle wines and liquors for family purposes and the trade and besides a large local custom, fill many orders from the surrounding towns. They deal in goods of a superior quality which are fully guaranteed as represented and sold at the very lowest prices. Mr. E. W. Coles was born in Canada and Mr. McArthur is from Scotland. They are progressive, active, live business men and throughout their business career have always sustained a high reputation.

## MISS MURPHY.

**A**MONG the old established concerns in Toronto devoted to the millinery business and the handling of fancy dry goods, especially noteworthy is that of Miss Murphy, known as the "New York Millinery Store," and located at No. 244 Queen street east. The foundation of this enterprise dates back to 1873, when it was inaugurated by Miss Murphy, and from its inception a permanent trade has been secured, numbering among its many patrons the leading families of Toronto. The premises occupied are adapted in every department for the successful prosecution of the business, and a competent force of skilled help is employed. The stock comprises a full and complete assortment of the latest London and New York novelties in millinery, gloves, corsets, hosiery, straw goods, fancy dry goods, feathers, flowers, silks, ribbons, velvets, laces and all kinds of millinery specialties. Here are to be seen the most fashionable and daintiest of trimmed hats and bonnets, which cannot fail to please the most fastidious. Miss Murphy is always the first to introduce the latest styles, and all hats and bonnets trimmed here are in strict accord with the newest London and New York fashions. Special attention is given to mourning and bridal outfits. Miss Murphy is an energetic lady of Canadian birth, and is admitted by all to be the foremost exponent of her art in the city.

## REID &amp; COMPANY.

**P**ROMINENT among the leading houses in its line of trade in Toronto is that of Messrs. Reid & Company, wholesale and retail dealers in lumber, lath and shingles, whose office is situated corner King and Berkeley streets. The firm's dock and yard are at the Esplanade, foot of Berkeley street. This flourishing business



was established in 1880 at the corner Esplanade and Sherbourne streets, and in 1885 was removed to its present commodious quarters. Messrs. Reid & Co. are the largest lumber dealers in Toronto and are sole agents in the city for Messrs. Gilnour & Co., of Trenton, Ontario, manufacturers of sash, doors, blinds, casings, mouldings, flooring, sheeting, base, etc. Orders for these goods are executed at extremely low prices on short notice. Only carefully selected and choice lumber is handled, and substantial advantages are offered to the trade. Lumber is shipped by Messrs. Reid & Co. to all sections of the Dominion; and they also handle extensively native hardwoods. Mr. Reid, the proprietor and manager of this business, was born in Toronto. He is widely known for his business ability and strict probity.

**DUNCAN BELL.**

**T**HERE is perhaps no name so well known throughout the dry goods trade of Canada as that of Duncan Bell, dry goods commission merchant, whose head office is located in Montreal, with branch office at 62 Bay street in this city. The business is one of the oldest in Canada, having been established in Montreal in 1830. The Toronto branch is in charge of Mr. Harry A. Yuille, one of the most able and popular



young business men in the city. The house of Duncan Bell is to-day controlling the largest and most influential wholesale trade in the Dominion, representing as it does some of the most extensive manufacturers in England and Scotland. The house are the Dominion agents for the well known firm of Joseph Walker & Sons, of Huddersfield, the most extensive dealers in seals and cloakings in the world; also William Currie & Co., proprietors of the famous Caledonian rubber coat works at Edinburgh; Chas. Semon & Co., exclusive woolen manufacturers, of Bradford; F. P. Savery, & Co., woolen manufacturers, of Huddersfield; J. B. Lewis & Sons,

manufacturers of shirts, pants and hosiery, of Nottingham; and Davis, Moore & Co., manufacturers of shirts, pants and hosiery, of Leicester, and Scottish Vulcanite Co.'s, of Edinburgh. The house are also attorneys and correspondents for several large English firms, and annually transact an enormous business, which to-day covers every city and town, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, with the jobbers. Mr. Yuille, the Toronto manager, is a native of Glasgow, and is fully competent to superintend the important interests of his firm in this city. The office, located at 62 Bay street, is spacious and centrally located in the heart of the business portion of the city. The Telephone call is 1964.

**ROBERT WILSON.**

**M**OREMOST among the reliable and responsible houses engaged in supplying the inhabitants of Toronto with pure and wholesome food products is that of Mr. Robert Wilson, who is the widely known provision merchant, at No. 322 Queen street west. Mr. Wilson is a gentleman of English birth, who became a resident of this city in 1883. Having a thorough knowledge of the provision business in its every branch, he embarked in his present enterprise in 1892, and although but little over a year has since elapsed he has built up a widespread and permanent trade, which is rapidly assuming vast proportions. His store is 20 x 30 feet in area, and is fitted up with all modern conveniences, including ample cold storage, while several assistants are employed. Mr. Wilson handles a general line of provisions, including fine sugar-cured hams, smoked hams, English and breakfast bacon, fresh and salt pork, kettle-rendered lard, pork sausages, vegetables, and kindred goods. Buying and selling strictly for cash, he is thereby enabled to obtain the best supplies and to offer them to his patrons at lowest prices.

**G. THOMPSON.**

**T**HIS business was established twelve years ago, and from its inception has been appreciated by the community, as is evidenced by the large trade extended. The premises occupied at 711 Yonge street comprise a spacious room, 20 x 115 feet, well appointed for the business carried on. It is kept in the neatest possible manner, and the establishment does great credit to the community. Mr. Thompson is one of those business men who fully appreciate the wants and tastes of the people. He is a large dealer in all the best grades of butter, and this house also carries a large line of everything pertaining to hog products—hams, breakfast bacon, sausages and head-cheese; fine cream and other cheese,

eggs, milk, lard, etc. Mr. Thompson is an expert at curing hams and bacon and does it in the best style. Among his specialties are cooked meats, potted meats, etc., and he supplies the same ready for use for suppers, picnics and other occasions. The class of table edibles in which this house deals are not excelled by any other house in Toronto, if indeed they are equalled. Although the business has been conducted for only four years, it enjoys a most lucrative patronage. Mr. Thompson is an able, young business man, reliable and responsible, and so regarded by the community.

**E. A. CROSSMAN & SON.**

**T**HE best skilled portrait artists in Canada is undoubtedly Messrs. E. A. Crossman & Son, whose studio is at 26 King street east. Mr. Crossman, Sr., is a native of Newfoundland, and has devoted many years to the careful study of his profession, receiving the highest awards at many exhibitions in the United States for his splendid artistic work. He commenced in Cincinnati, Ohio, to paint portraits in oil and execute crayon work in 1868, and ten years after removed to Hamilton, Ont., where he remained until 1883, when he went to London, and five years after came to this city. His son and copartner was born in Elora, Ont. He is a thoroughly skilled artist, possessing all the abilities of his talented father. They have received three medals at Cincinnati, O., exhibitions, one in Minneapolis, Minn., a Centennial medal in 1876 at Philadelphia, Pa., and 12 first prizes in Canada in Provincial exhibitions. They are moderate in their prices and their work unexcelled in neatness and perfection of finish.

**MAP & SCHOOL SUPPLY CO.**

**T**HIS company, with headquarters at 31 King street east, is one of the most important concerns of its kind in Canada. The business was established several years ago, and is controlled by Messrs. Cummings and Potter, both well known representative business men of unquestioned reputation. The stock carried embraces maps, globes, black boards, drawing materials, microscopes, chemical supplies, etc., and is large, full and complete in all departments. The company supply many private schools and educational institutions throughout the province of Ontario, and altogether a large business is carried on. Map mounting is a specialty, and orders for this kind of work are promptly filled with neatness and despatch. Mr. Cummings is a well-known business man, and formerly connected with the Government Observatory. Mr. C. C. Potter is practical to the business, and well qualified to conduct it both by education and training.

## QUEEN CITY MILLS.

A RECENTLY established manufacturing enterprise, whose operations are rapidly assuming an important feature in the commercial prosperity of Toronto is that known as the Queen City Mills, of which Mr. Archibald Campbell is the proprietor. Mr. Campbell commenced business operations during the early part of the present year, and already his enterprise has assumed proportions requiring special and detailed description in a commercial review of this character. Mr. Campbell is already a large manufacturer and dealer in high patent and family flour, bran, middlings and all kinds of grain. His mills occupy a five-story brick building, 50 x 75 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with all the improved machinery, including thirty-nine pair of rollers. Upwards of fifty hands are regularly employed and the daily capacity of the mills is seven hundred barrels, and the capacity of the elevator is 110,000 bushels. Mr. Campbell makes a specialty of high grade patent and family flour, the standard brands being "Toronto's Pride" (pure Manitoba patent), "Queen City" (Manitoba and Winter patent), "Monarch" (pure Winter patent), "Gem" (straight roller), "Tower" (superfine). He now controls a large local patronage, which extends also through the lower provinces and Newfoundland and to the extreme eastern part of Ontario. Mr. Campbell is an energetic, progressive and able business man, thoroughly acquainted with every detail of the business and the wants of the trade, and fully determined to push his products to the very front rank. He is among our most highly esteemed and respected business men, whose standing is of the highest in the business and financial community.

## THE CANADIAN PHOTO-ENGRAVING BUREAU.

PHOTO-ENGRAVING for all illustrating purposes has no abler exponent in Toronto than the Canadian Photo-Engraving Bureau, located at 16 Adelaide street west, of which Messrs. J. F. Moore and J. Alexander, Jr., are the enterprising and popular proprietors. They first commenced business in 1888 in this line at 203 Yonge street, and in 1891 removed to their present location. Both Messrs. Moore & Alexander are thoroughly qualified engravers and printers, fully conversant with every detail of this useful industry and the requirements of the most critical patrons. They occupy two spacious floors, each being 50 x 125 feet in area, fully equipped with the latest improved apparatus, machinery and appliances, and the place is fitted throughout with

electric light, used when sunlight is not good, enabling them to be always on time with work. The range of work embraces photo-engraving in all its branches, zinc etching, photo-litho transfers, and a specialty is made of half-tones on zinc or copper for fine printing. They employ only first-class workmen, and turn out all kinds of high-class art work, adapted for book, catalogue or magazine illustrations. All orders are promptly executed, while the most moderate prices prevail, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Mr. Moore was born in London, England, in 1863, and came to Canada in 1871. His partner, Mr. Alexander, is a native of Montreal. They are highly regarded in business circles for their integrity and ability, and have secured an enviable reputation for the artistic merits of their work. The Telephone call of the office is 2158.

## H. A. NELSON &amp; SONS.

A REPRESENTATIVE and one of the most noted firms in its line in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. H. A. Nelson & Sons, importers and wholesale dealers in European and American goods, whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 56 and 58 Front street west. The principal offices and headquarters of the firm are at 59, 61 and 63 St. Peter street, Montreal. This extensive business was established in 1840 by Mr. H. A. Nelson, who eventually admitted his sons, Messrs. A. D., H. W., C. H. and F. E. Nelson, into partnership. Mr. H. A. Nelson died in 1883, and the business is now the property of his sons. The premises occupied in Toronto comprise a four-story and basement building, 55 x 200 feet in area, fully equipped with every convenience for the accommodation of the immense, well selected and choice stock. The departments embrace brooms, woodenware, matches, brushes, mirrors, perambulators, clocks, bags, trunks, baskets of all kinds, druggists' sundries, tobacconists' sundries, stationers' sundries, fancy goods, Bohemian glassware, albums, Chinaware, dolls, games, notions, and toys of every description. They import direct from the most celebrated British, French, German, Swiss and American manufacturers, and always secure the latest novelties. Only the most desirable and best goods are handled, and the prices quoted defy competition. Orders are carefully and promptly filled, and the trade of the house now extends throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West. Fifty clerks, assistants, etc., are employed, and they likewise have fifteen travelling salesmen on the road. The partners are highly esteemed in trade circles for excel-

lent business qualities, promptness and integrity, and have gained the entire confidence of their numerous patrons in all sections of the country.

## ISA J. THOMAS.

ONE of the best stocked grocery and provision houses in the community is that of Mr. Isa J. Thomas, located at 639 Yonge street. This house was established five years ago by Chas. J. Thomas, succeeded by the present proprietor. The premises are 20 x 60 feet, and the store is attractively fitted up, with large plate



glass show windows, provided with telephone service 3087. Mr. Thomas carries a splendid line of staple and fancy groceries and provisions—in fact, nearly all kinds of food supplies—which, from the large trade he enjoys, never grows stale or shopworn, including fine teas and coffees, all the spices, a great variety of the choicest canned goods, meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, poultry and game, and everything dealt in by a first-class establishment, making a specialty of teas, coffees, butter, eggs and poultry. He also handles large quantities of oysters in their season. In a word, at this food supply house may always be had the best going. Mr. Thomas was born in England and came to Toronto some years since.

**COURTNEY & STUART.**

THE Railroad Shoe House, at 562 and 564 Queen street west, although only opened about a year ago, has become widely known and popular as the best place in the city to obtain reliable footwear at "rock bottom" prices. The proprietors, Messrs. John Courtney and V. S. Stuart are both practical men, and well versed in all

with unusual care, and brought direct from the leading manufacturers, and fully garranted as to fit, style, quality, material and workmanship. In the stock will be found the celebrated goods of such reputable manufacturers as Whitham, Ames, Holden & Co., largest shoe manufacturers in Canada; Le Clerc & Fils, Cooper & Smitu, J. D. King & Co., and others of like reputation. Messrs. Courtney & Stuart are live, wide awake business men, and leave nothing undone to please and accommo-



the details of the business acquired from long experience. They occupy a handsome store tastefully fitted up in modern style, and provided with every convenience for the accommodation of customers. In size it is 25 x 60 feet, and stocked to repletion with everything in the line of footwear for ladies, misses, children, men and boys, in all sizes and widths, and all the latest fashionable styles. The goods are all new, and have been selected

date patrons. They make a specialty of the latest styles of solid leather shoes, and pay particular attention to repairing, executing the work neatly in a skilful manner. Mr. Courtney is a native of Ireland and Mr. Stuart of Canada. They are doing a large prosperous business, and winning success by deserving it. Both members of the firm have been between nine and ten years in business in this neighborhood, and are well acquainted with the requirements of the trade in this section of the city.

**D. DUCKWORTH.**

It is an admitted fact that Mr. D. Duckworth, whose elegantly appointed establishment is located at No. 168 Queen street west, is the arbiter of fashions in men's headwear and in fur garments in this city. He has had many years practical experience in the business, and has carefully noted the needs and requirements of the citizens in this direction, and is therefore well prepared and equipped to meet all demands made upon him. Although he has been established in business on his own account only since 1892, he has secured a patronage which in amount and character is intensely gratifying. Mr. Duckworth occupies two floors, each being 20 x 80 feet in area. His store is fitted up in modern style, in a manner reflecting the highest credit on his good taste and judgment, and each season he carries a line of goods which for character and extent are unapproachable. Mr. Duckworth handles all the leading makes of English and American silk, felt and straw hats, as well as caps of every description. Straw goods are exhibited when in season, and all the new styles made popular by the decrees of fashion are found at this establishment, as soon as brought out. This is also the leading headquarters for the finest fur goods, caps, gloves, collars, capes, cloaks, coats; special attention being given to making garments to order. His prices are governed by moderation, while the quality of the goods and "correct modes" are guaranteed. Mr. Duckworth is a native of Toronto, and enjoys a wide circle of friends and acquaintances among our business men and citizens generally.

**J. W. McADAM & CO.**

ONE of the most popular boot and shoe houses in Toronto is that of J. W. McAdam & Co., located at No. 88, Queen street west, where they occupy a large store 50 x 40 feet in dimensions. This firm employs several salesmen and their customers are always sure of prompt, polite, and courteous attention and treatment, while their wants are supplied from the full line of footwear which Messrs. J. W. McAdam & Co. always keep in stock. This popular house was established in 1887, and the present firm assumed control in 1893, Messrs. Fegan & McDiarmid, being the proprietors. They carry as fine a stock of boots and shoes of the best makes as is to be found in the city of Toronto. They also carry a large and beautiful assortment of valises, bags and portmanteaus, embracing all the latest and best designs, and every requisite of the trade in which they are engaged. Messrs. Fegan and McDiarmid are not followers, but leaders in their line of the many establishments of like character. They have occupied the front rank in their line through having constantly handled a



quality of goods that were inviting and of superior excellence. The firm is composed of wide-awake men, who thoroughly understand their business. Their trade has rapidly grown to its present prosperous proportions, and they have secured the patronage of a large portion of the best people of their section of the city. The motto of this house is "excellence of goods handled, and fair dealing." They mean to be in advance in their line.

### JOHN B. SMITH & SONS.

AMONG the varied and extensive business operations carried on in this progressive and thrifty city of Toronto, there is none which bears a more important relation to the commercial prosperity of the country than the lumber trade, one of the oldest and most thoroughly representative houses in the trade in this city is that of John B. Smith & Sons, manufacturers of lumber, lath, shingles, doors, sash, blinds, mouldings, boxes, etc., whose factory and yards are located corner Strachan and Wellington avenues. The business was established in 1851 by the senior member of the firm, Mr. John B. Smith, and has steadily developed until to-day it is one of the largest and most important in its line in Canada. The factory operated by this concern is one of the largest in Canada, occupying a three-story building 50 x 225 feet in dimensions, and thoroughly equipped with all the improved machinery and appliances known to the business, including matchers, planers, rip and jig saws, etc., operated by a 150-horse power engine, while upwards of seventy-five hands are given steady employment in the factory, and one hundred and twenty-five in the lumbering regions. The firm cut their lumber from the Parry Sound district, its annual output being from eight to twelve million feet, and a large quantity of this lumber is manufactured at the firms factory into dressed lumber, doors, sash, blinds, mouldings, boxes, etc., and this varied product is shipped to all parts of Canada and the United States, the trade of the house being one of the most extensive of any like concern in the country. Mr. John B. Smith is a Scotchman by birth, and came to Toronto many years ago, and for over 40 years has been recognised as one of the largest and most influential lumber merchants in the Dominion. His sons and co-partners, Messrs. John M., Robert and W. J. Smith, were born in this country and, like their father, are active, progressive and enterprising business men, and thoroughly identified with the best and lasting interests of Toronto. The telephone call is 3332.

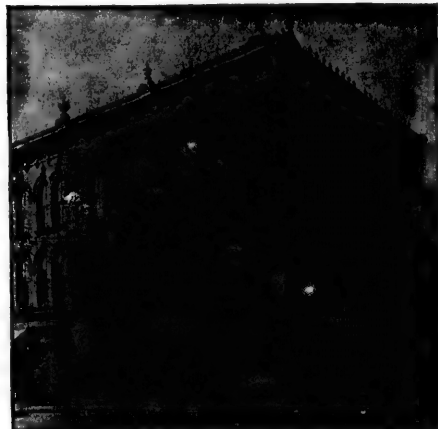
### MAQUIRE & DRYDEN.

ONE of the most notable establishments in the city of Toronto, devoted to the manufacturing of general machinery, is that of Messrs. Maguire & Dryden, located at No. 78 Esplanade street west. This concern was established by its present proprietors in 1890, and by strict attention to business, coupled with a straightforward system of honourable dealing, they have succeeded in obtaining a front rank in this important branch of industry. The premises comprise a spacious brick building having a frontage and depth of 50 x 40 feet, and the output of the shops embraces any and all kinds of machines. All kinds of perforated zinc and iron are kept on hand, likewise conveyor flights, elevator cups, sprocket, and all numbers of wheels and chains, gears, hangers, boxes, shafting and pulleys. Estimates are furnished for the taking down and removal of worn out or defective machinery, and the readjustment of the same in running order. Ten skilled and experienced mechanics being provided with constant employment. The proprietors are both experienced, practical workmen, and all the operations of the works are conducted under their personal supervision, thus ensuring to the trade only such productions as will stand the most crucial tests, both in regard to the material used in their construction and the workmanship employed, and they are highly esteemed and respected in social and commercial circles for their strict integrity and honor. Mr. Maguire is a native of Toronto, his partner, Mr. Dryden, having been born in Galt in the same province. The firm makes a specialty of manufacturing portable mills, which have given universal satisfaction, and are well liked by all who have used them. They are manufactured any size desired from 16 in. to 48 in.

### M. B. & T. JENKINS.

THIS firm is specially noted for its very large and choice collection of antique furniture. It has no equal in the Dominion of Canada in this line of goods. Its preeminence over other houses may be attributed in a measure to its connections with foreign houses. Messrs. M. B. & T. Jenkins are located at No. 424 Yonge street,

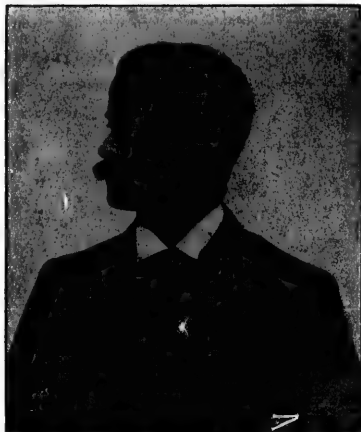
corner of Buchanan. The premises occupied consist of three flats 120 x 30 feet, where they carry a very large line and an excellent assortment in furniture, carpets, and all manner of house furnishings belonging to the trade. The store is well stocked in all departments. This firm also offers the highest prices for all kinds of furniture, bric-a-brac, carpets, etc. This house also has special facilities for cleaning and relaying carpets in the best possible style, for renovating and recovering all kinds of mattresses and furniture. This work is all executed to the perfect satisfaction of their customers. The firm makes it convenient for their customers and patrons by



calling for and delivering all goods bought or sold and for carpets for cleaning and mattresses to be recovered, and furniture to be upholstered. They are careful in the execution of all orders with which they are favored. Prices rule moderate. The Messrs. Jenkins are industrious and painstaking business men, pushing on their business, never allowing it to push them. The work done by them has always given the best of satisfaction, hence they have established a good trade, and a fine reputation for the house.

**J. F. BROWN & CO.**

ONE of the most popular and well patronized furniture establishments in Toronto is that of Messrs. J. F. Brown & Company, at 3, 5 and 7 Queen street east, near Yonge street, south side. This prosperous and flourishing business was established by Mr. J. F. Brown eight years ago, and to-day ranks among the leading



furniture emporiums in the city. The premises occupied are 75x50 feet in dimensions, in the Imperial Bank building, an imposing three-story building with high basement, which is also fitted up as a show room, heavily stocked with a full assortment of furniture and general house furnishings of every description, carpets, oil cloths and lineoleums, which make up one of the most complete stocks to be seen in the city. The stock is well assorted, and all goods are marked in plain figures, while the prices are the lowest. The house has established for itself a reputation for honorable dealing with the general public, and its policy always has and will continue to be to give its patrons the best value for their money that can be had in the city. They sell for cash or credit and if credit is desired give the most liberal terms to responsible parties. The firm control a large and constantly increasing trade throughout the city and sur-

rounding territory and its policy has always been liberal and just, while only reliable goods are sold. Mr. J. F. Brown is an American by birth, and an active, enterprising, business man, thoroughly up to the times and wants of the trade, and is highly esteemed in trade and social circles.

**JOSEPH PINDER.**

AMONG the leading houses engaged in the production and handling of all kinds of farmers' saddlery and horse-furnishing goods that of Mr. Joseph Pinder, at 722 Queen street east, is especially deserving of mention. He founded his present establishment in 1887, and at once secured a patronage such as his ability fully entitled him to. The premises utilized by him are of ample dimensions and comprise a handsomely appointed salesroom, with well equipped workshops attached. Mr. Pinder manufactures to order the finest and most durable hand-made harness for all or any purpose; also sporting outfits, harness for heavy-draft purposes, saddles, collars, bridles, halters, and all kinds of strap work. He uses only the best materials and employs none but skilled workmen, all operations being personally supervised by him. Repairing is also promptly attended to.

**RICHARDS BROS.**

THIS prosperous business was established in 1873 by the present proprietors, who have since secured a liberal and permanent patronage, their trade extending throughout Ontario and Quebec. They are thoroughly practical and expert lamp manufacturers, fully acquainted with every detail of this important industry and with the wants of the most critical patrons. They occupy a spacious floor, 140x30 feet in area, and their workshops, 502½ and 504 Yonge street, are fully equipped with modern tools and appliances, while twelve skilled workmen are constantly employed. They keep always on hand a large and choice stock of carriage lamps, and attend carefully to every description of repairing and plating at the shortest notice. They also import from the most celebrated British houses the latest styles of carriage lamps, and keep all kinds of lamp holders in stock. Messrs. Richards were born in England, and are widely known for their just methods.

**C. WURTELE.**

AN establishment which has gained an excellent reputation for just methods is that of Mr. Wurtele, upholsterer and dealer in fine furniture, whose

salesrooms are located at 358½ Yonge street. This business was established by Mr. Wurtele in 1885, who possesses an intimate knowledge of the needs and requirements of a critical trade. He occupies a spacious three-story building, 25x125 feet in area, and here he keeps a well selected stock of parlor, dining and drawing room, hall and chamber furniture, elegant upholstered goods, couches, sofas, rockers, fancy chairs; also draperies, curtains; while the parlor sets are obtainable in all the latest styles of upholstery. Mr. Wurtele makes a specialty of making art and antique furniture, and the work produced is unsurpassed for finish, elegance and workmanship. Mr. Wurtele was born in Germany, but has resided in Canada for the last thirty-five years. He is widely known for his mechanical skill and strict integrity, and is a popular member of the A. O. U. W.

**COLEMAN & McCAFFREY.**

BOTH members of the firm have had an experience in this business extending over a period of ten years, and they are familiar with its every phase and feature. They are admirably equipped for all practical purposes of their business and make fit the horse shoes used in the shop. Horses are shod on the most approved principles, in the best manner, and special care given to fine driving, track and trotting horses, also to resetting shoes, remedying defective shoeing and to interfering, etc. The firm also do all kinds general blacksmith work and jobbing in iron work of all kinds and are doing a prosperous and substantial business. Messrs. Coleman & McCaffrey, as horseshoers, have a reputation second to none in Toronto and fully guarantee all their work. The former is a native of Canada and the latter of Ireland, but has resided in this city many years. They have been associated and established in business since May last, and have secured a large, substantial patronage. They are located at 33 Sumach street.

**N. WAGSTAFF**

OF all the numerous inventions of this great century of progress, none, probably, has proven of such universal and inestimable benefit as the sewing machine, and no mechanical device has become so generally popular and acceptable all over the civilized world. The enormous demand for these machines has created a new field of industry, and agencies for their sale are to be found in every city in the country. There are many such establishments in Toronto, and in the front rank stands the house of Mr. N. Wagstaff, which is located at

No. 166 Queen street east. Mr. Wagstaff has had an experience in the sewing machine business extending over a period of twenty-two years, and few men bring to bear so perfect a knowledge of its every detail as well as of the special needs and requirements of the public in this direction. He founded this enterprise in 1886, and has since built up valuable and far-reaching connections, his house being widely recognized as being headquarters for the purchase of any machine made, as well as for their parts and attachments. His store is 20 x 40 feet in dimensions, and contains a large stock of the leading makes for all purposes, from the heavy one for manufacturing fur, leather and straw goods to the lighter one for domestic use. Mr. Wagstaff is agent for the celebrated New Raymond, and has always on hand a complete line of attachments, needles, oil, etc. He makes a specialty of machine repairing, and his prices and terms are extremely liberal.

#### R. JOLLIFFE.

ONE of the best practical undertakers and embalmers in this city is Mr. R. Jolliffe, who is well versed in every phase and feature of the calling. Mr. Jolliffe is located at 751 Queen street west, where he occupies a fine office and handsomely equipped and furnished undertaking parlors, and is well prepared to attend to calls at all hours. He owns two elegant hearses, one of which was recently purchased at a cost of eighteen hundred dollars, and keeps in stock coffins and caskets of all kinds and funeral furnishings of every description. Mr. Jolliffe is careful and considerate while performing his duties, and unremitting in his attentions and makes all the arrangements for a funeral in accordance with the wishes of bereaved families and friends. He also embalms bodies by the most modern methods, and conducts funerals from the house to the cemetery, procures burial permits, etc. Mr. Jolliffe is a native of Canada and a well known resident of the West End.

#### JAMES LANGSKILL.

THIS gentleman has been established in business for a period of five years, and in that time has succeeded in building up a large, first-class patronage. He deals in goods only of a superior quality and is moderate in his prices. The store, located at 60 Gerrard street east, is complete in all appointments and stocked to repletion with a choice, carefully selected assortment of groceries and provisions, also dairy products; and when in season, a fine display is always made of fruits, vegeta-

bles, oysters, game and poultry. The best quality of teas, coffees, spices, canned goods, flour, hams, bacon and butter, cheese and fresh eggs are a specialty with Mr. Langskill, and he always has the finest and best to be had in the city. Orders are filled and delivered promptly, and every attention is paid to the wants of patrons.

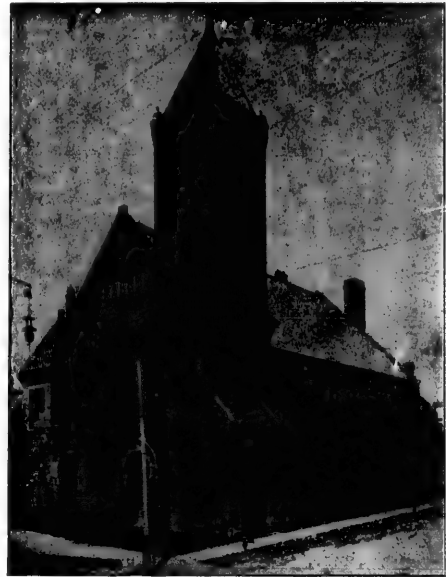
#### AUGUSTUS NEWELL & CO.

THE celebrated establishment of Messrs. Augustus Newell & Co., manufacturers of organ reeds and keys, is the only one in Canada in this special line. The business was established in 1878 at 79 Adelaide street, and in 1889, owing to increasing trade necessitating greater facilities for manufacturing purposes, a removal was made to the spacious, commodious building now occupied at 31 Hayter street. The building is five stories high, 30 x 100 feet dimensions, and is equipped throughout with special machinery operated by steam power and a force of skilled hands is brought into requisition. Besides manufacturing organ reeds and keys the firm give special attention to hardened steel work, grinding and lapping of small rolls, spindles, etc., and do repairing. They make a specialty of light machinery, and to the working out of inventions, patents, etc., and a particular specialty is in the manufacture of jeweller's rolls from one to six inches in diameter. The trade of the firm is widely diffused throughout Canada and Great Britain, and is steadily growing and increasing in volume. Mr. F. H. Wright is the sole proprietor, and is a gentleman who thoroughly understands his business, and any one having a patent or invention to perfect should secure his aid.

#### HENRY SIMPSON.

AMONG the members of the architectural profession located in Toronto is Mr. Henry Simpson, whose well appointed office and draughting rooms are No. 16 in the building 94 Adelaide street east. Mr. Simpson has had a thorough training and a valuable experience as an architect, and in various parts of this city and surrounding towns can be seen many splendid evidences of his skill. Among the buildings for which he drew the plans and superintended the construction are the Isolated Hospital, Cooke's Church, completed last year and one of the finest in the city, Alexandria School for Girls, in East Toronto, Christ Church and schools and

colleges at Mimico, also many handsome residences in this city and vicinity. Mr. Simpson furnishes plans, specifications, estimates, etc., and is well prepared and equipped to execute orders in all parts of Canada. A native of Toronto, where he has always resided, Mr.



COOKE'S CHURCH.

HENRY SIMPSON, ARCHITECT.

Simpson has been actively engaged in the duties of his profession since 1888. He is reliable and responsible, and executes commissions not only promptly, but with that intelligent apprehension of design which have served to make his efforts so highly appreciated.

## ADAMS &amp; SONS.

**T**HIS is the Canadian Branch of the famous firm of Messrs. Adams & Sons, manufacturers of staple brands of Chewing Gum, whose principal offices and headquarters are located in Sands street, Brooklyn, N. Y. The Canadian Branch and factory are situated in Toronto, at 11 and 13 Jarvis street, and are under the energetic and able management of Mr. W. H. Law, who is widely known in trade circles for his sound business



After trying everything else I have been entirely cured of indigestion by using

**ADAMS' TUTTI FRUTTI**

Sold by Druggists and Confectioners.

Take no worthless imitation. See that "Tutti Frutti" is on each 5c. package.

principles and strict integrity. Messrs. Adams & Co. also have branches in London, England, Liverpool, England, Paris, France, and Melbourne, Australia, and their goods were awarded medals at the Paris World's Fair, 1889, and the New Orleans and Louisville Expositions. The premises occupied in Toronto comprise a handsome and commodious three-story brick building, 36x50 feet in area, the first floor being utilized for offices, the second floor for the factory, while the third floor is devoted to the wrapping and packing departments. The principal brands manufactured by Messrs. Adams & Sons are, Tutti Frutti, Pepsin Tutti Frutti, Monte Christo, Mexican Fruit, Sweet Fern, Red Rose, Oolah, Bokay, etc. These specialties in chewing gum are unsurpassed for quality, purity and flavor, and have no superiors in

the market. Mr. Law promptly fills orders and the trade of this branch extends throughout all sections of Canada from Halifax to Vancouver. The trade is strictly wholesale, and the firm have agents in all the principal cities of Canada and the United States. Their staple brands of chewing gum are general favorites with all classes of consumers, who prefer them to all others, owing to their superiority and uniform excellence.

## THE AMERICAN CORSET AND DRESS REFORM CO.

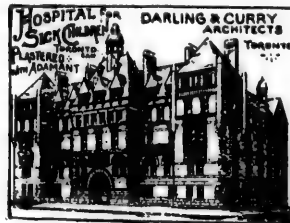
**A**MONG the new enterprises recently established in this city is that of the American Corset and Dress Reform Co., with headquarters at 316 Yonge street. The store is tastefully and handsomely fitted up, complete in all appointments and contains a large, valuable and carefully assorted stock of goods. In dimensions it is 30 x 100 feet, and every convenience is provided for



the accommodation of patrons. The Company makes a specialty of Jenness-Miller patterns and Equipoise waists, which are kept in stock, also the Jenness-Miller perfect fitting bodice, for which it has the exclusive agency, and also the control of the Geo. Frost dress reform waist. Ypsilanti union suits in Congo merino, health wool, cashmere, and silks for ladies, misses and children are also kept in stock, together with a great variety of fancy articles that belong to the business. Corsets and common sense and hygienic waists for ladies and children are made to order, and every care and attention is paid to the requirements of patrons. Mrs. J. Ward and Mrs. McKenzie, who have the sole control of the business, are both practical business women, and although only established in business a short time, they have secured a large patronage and fill many orders from all parts of the Dominion.

## ADAMANT MFG CO. OF AMERICA.

**T**HE Canadian Branch of the famous Adamant Manufacturing Company of America, manufacturers of Adamant Wall Plaster, is located at 100 Esplanade street east. The Company's principal offices and headquarters are located at 309 East Genesee street, Syracuse, New York, and its New York city office in the



Bennett Building, corner of Fulton and Nassau streets. The Toronto factory was opened in 1889, and is the only establishment in Canada manufacturing the celebrated Adamant Wall Plaster. The premises occupied in the Queen City comprise a superior four-story brick building, 30 x 200 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to offices and shipping department, the second and third floors to the factory, while the fourth floor is utilized for storage. The factory is equipped with special machinery and appliances, operated by steam power, and a strong force of workmen is employed. Adamant is the perfection of wall plaster, being a patented cement or artificial stone, while it is the result of extended research in the field of science. It is a perfect plaster, adhering equally well to lath, brick, stone or iron, and it will last as long as the building. Adamant has wonderful fire-resisting qualities, superior to any other plaster made, this quality rendering buildings practically fire-proof. It does not crack, shrink or break, and is impervious to rats, gases or vermin. It is elastic and takes on a very superior finish, all of which combine to make it the perfection of plastering. The Toronto Branch is under the careful management of Mr. W. B. Cherry, who is widely known in trade circles for his promptness and just methods. The following are only a few of the prominent buildings that have been plastered with Adamant, viz: Grand Trunk Railway Depot, Lancaster, Que.; Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto; Lakeside Home, Toronto Island

Jordan Chambers, St. Matthew's Church, St. Stephen's Church, Dominion Bank, Bell Telephone Building, and many others in this city and elsewhere. Orders are promptly filled at the lowest possible prices, and the use of Adamant Plaster is becoming universal in all parts of Canada. Adamant is highly esteemed by leading builders and architects, and sells solely on its intrinsic merits.

### AIKENHEAD & SLOAN.

**A**MPLE cold storage facilities are to-day an essential requisite in all commercial centers and one that the produce trade is interested in promoting. In this connection we desire to refer in this commercial review of Toronto to the newly established and enterprising firm of Messrs. Aikenhead & Sloan, whose cold storage and



freezing house is located at 73 Church street. This cold storage establishment was opened May 1st, 1893, by Messrs. Aikenhead & Sloan, who have already secured a liberal and influential patronage. The premises occupied comprise a superior four-story building, 27 x 100 feet in area, fitted up with the latest patent dry air appliances. Fire risks are light, as the house is built of brick and no explosive chemicals are used. This cold storage house was built chiefly for the accommodation of dealers in fruits, vegetables, provisions, such as butter, eggs, cheese, lard, meats, poultry, etc., while freezing is used for those desirous of freezing fish, game, etc. The firm's system is unsurpassed for efficiency and reliability, while the rates charged are extremely moderate. Any person storing goods here can get insurance on short

terms if desired by paying premium. This is the only cold storage house in Toronto, and has a capacity of one hundred car loads of produce. They also handle dried fruits, and deal in fruits and produce in car lots. Messrs. Aikenhead & Sloan are Canadians and came to Toronto from Huron county, Ontario. They are widely known for their strict integrity, and having spent much time and money in perfecting their cold storage system, are confident of giving satisfaction to patrons.

### J. S. RUSSELL.

**A**MONG the representative merchants who have largely contributed to Toronto's resources within the last two decades, few have been more potent factors in this respect than Mr. J. S. Russell, the well known wholesale dealer in fine and fancy goods. The foundation of this business dates from 1878, and from that time to the present Mr. Russell's career has been one of continued success. He is a native of Lanarkshire, Scotland, and came to Canada about thirty-five years ago. He is also prominent in social circles, being an active member of St. Andrew's Society, and enjoys the distinction of being the founder of The Victoria Club, a very fashionable curling and athletic club of this city, and also of the Ontario Curling Association, of which he was the third President, and has been Secretary-Treasurer for fifteen years. A spacious three-story building, 25 x 120 feet in dimensions, at No. 114 Bay street, is devoted to his large business, and he is a direct importer of fancy goods and novelties of all kinds, and also makes a specialty of having manufactured to order hammocks, curling stones, etc., the latter being made in Scotland from a model furnished by Mr. Russell. Other specialties of the house consist of an elegant assortment of gold lace and fringe manufactured in France. The house also does an extensive business in Niagara Falls stone goods, curios, etc., while the Indian goods are in great demand—such as birch bark mats, baskets, etc., which are obtained from the north-west as far up as Hudson's Bay.

### CHARLES WILSON.

**T**HE manufacture of non-intoxicating beverages is an important industry in Toronto, and the representative, and without question the best known concern exclusively devoted to the manufacture of temperance beverages, is that of Charles Wilson, 519 Sherbourne street, manufacturer of Prize Medal Ginger Ale and Mineral Waters. Mr. Wilson established his business in Toronto eighteen years ago, and has since built up a large and lucrative patronage, extending among the best class of retail trade throughout Toronto and vicinity. The fac-

tory on Sherbourne street consists of a fine two-story brick building, 50 x 190 feet in dimensions, and built by Mr. Wilson especially for this business. This is one of the best equipped establishments in its line in the country, containing all the latest improved machines and appliances known to the business, operated by an electric motor. The equipment includes four bottling machines of latest improved pattern, pumps, etc., and twenty-two hands are regularly employed and five teams, while the annual output is from 75,000 to 100,000 dozen bottles. The house manufactures all grades of non-alcoholic beverages, which are scientifically and carefully prepared and warranted pure and free from drugs and all deleterious substances.

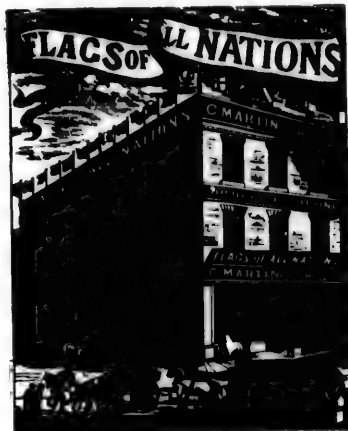


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The list of manufactured products includes ginger ale, in pints, quarts and half pints, club soda water, double soda water, plain soda water, champagne cider in quarts and pints, ginger beer in glass and stone bottles, lemon soda, sarsaparilla, and cream soda, seltzer water, potass water, vickey water, lithia water, and soda water in syphons. Mr. Wilson is a native of Ireland, and came to Montreal where he manufactured for many years before establishing his present business in Toronto. By his pluck, energy and enterprise, he has built the splendid business of which he is now sole proprietor.

## C. MARTIN &amp; CO.

**A** HOUSE which has established an enviable reputation for the high-class quality of its ready-made and fine ordered clothing and gents' furnishings throughout the Dominion of Canada is that familiarly known as "The Flags of All Nations," so ably presided over by Mr. C. Martin, at the corner of King and West



Market streets, Toronto. Few houses in the line have been longer in the field, and none have so thoroughly and permanently established relations with the best class of trade throughout the length and breadth of the "Queen City." Quality has ever been the first consideration with this popular and enterprising house, and its trade is rapidly progressing, based on the merits of its product, coupled with uniformly moderate prices. The business was founded in 1868 by Messrs. Pulaski and Martin, at No. 142 King street east, in 1870 Mr. Pulaski selling out his interest, when the firm style became Messrs. Martin and Echlin. In 1875 again Mr. Echlin withdrew from the business, when Mr. C. Martin assumed its management and proprietorship under the existent trading title. The premises now occupied consist of an eligible three-story structure, 26 x 100 feet in dimensions, admirably

sub-divided with a view to the advantageous prosecution of the business, as follows: First floor—Woolens and gents' furnishing department; second floor—cutting and ready-made clothing department; third floor—general factory. Throughout, the establishment is finely fitted up, and a thorough system of organization is enforced. Mr. Martin brings to bear the widest range of experience, coupled with the soundest judgment in the selection of his stock, neat and manufactured. He is a leader in fashionable styles and employs the best talent obtainable in the cutting-room, forty skilled and experienced hands being furnished with constant work in the various departments of the business. Merchant tailoring is here conducted upon correct principles, and the result is here seen in the heavy local trade transacted, which is annually growing in volume and value. Mr. Martin is of Irish nationality, and during a residence of some thirty-two years in Toronto has ever enjoyed the respect and esteem of all with whom he has come in business or social contact.

## R. FORSYTH &amp; CO.

**A** WIDELY known and successful firm in Toronto, actively engaged in the manufacture of Improved Granite Concrete for sidewalks, cellars and stable flooring, is that of Messrs. R. Forsyth & Co., whose office is at 14 Toronto Arcade. The copartners, Messrs. Robt. Forsyth and John McBean, first commenced business 25 years ago in the marble and granite trade. In 1887 they embarked in the manufacture of Improved Granite Concrete. Their head office and factory being in Montreal, at 122 Bleury Street. They own large quarries at Ganaoquo, Ont., Stanstead, Quebec, and Grindstone Island, New York. Messrs. R. Forsyth & Co. execute carefully interior finish in marble and onyx, put down mosaic floors, and have done a large amount of work in several of the finest buildings in Toronto, such as the Canada Life Insurance Building, the Confederation Life Building, etc. They make a specialty of laying down for sidewalks, cellars, etc., Improved Granite Concrete which is known as "Granitite." This Granite Concrete is highly endorsed by leading architects, engineers and builders, and is the only artificial stone at all comparable to the best natural stone for pavement. It is especially valuable in vaults and cellars, and the heaviest trucks passing over it have no effect. It is quite as substantial as granite, and having the advantage of being applied in a semi-liquid state, it can be easily formed into such shapes and patterns as may be desired. Granitite stands the winter without a sign of deterioration, and is the finest material for footpaths that has ever been introduced into Canada. Messrs. R. Forsyth & Co. promptly furnish estimates for the construction of

granitite sidewalks, etc., and guarantee entire satisfaction to patrons at moderate prices. Mr. R. Forsyth manages the business in Montreal, while the Toronto branch is under the control of Mr. J. McBean, who is widely known in business circles for his promptness and strict probity and is a large contractor for street paving, having been engaged in that business here the past twenty-five years. We would observe, that granitite makes handsome pavements, shows no sign of wear after years of exposure to traffic and the elements, and promises to last for ever. The firm is the largest importers and manufacturers of marble of all kinds in Canada.

## B. BEASLEY.

**A** MONG the energetic business men in this city there are none who have been more successful in their enterprises than Mr. B. Beasley, wholesale confectioner, with headquarters at 21 Enoch Square. Mr. Beasley has been established in business five years, and is conducting a large city and country trade. His



establishment is admirably equipped with special appliances for manufacturing purposes, and his goods, which are of a superior quality, meet with a ready sale. Mr. Beasley manufactures a general line of fine confectionery, chocolates, caramels, stick and all kinds of candies, and in their production uses only the best cane sugar and other ingredients. He also deals in confectioners' tools



and supplies, and fills orders at satisfactory prices. A native of Canada, Mr. Beasley has always been popular as a business man and citizen during his residence in Toronto, and always maintained a high reputation. The premises occupied are 25x75 feet in dimensions, and every facility and convenience is provided for conducting business on a large scale and the prompt fulfilment of orders.

### BRACKEN & CO.

**A** WIDELY known and reliable house in this metropolis of Ontario is that of Bracken & Company, manufacturers of grand and upright pianos, furniture dealers, etc., whose extensive warehouses are located at 22 and 24 Queen street east, and 128 to 134 Victoria street, and factory at 62 Hayter street. The business was established in 1891, and since that time has had a most remarkably successful growth. The firm operate one of the largest and best equipped piano manufacturing in the city, occupying a fine, three-story building, 20x60 feet in dimensions, the top flat of which is used for manufacturing, the second for polishing and tuning, and the first for storing, packing and shipping. The firm use only the best materials in the manufacture of their pianos, purchasing their supplies from the best producing sources in the United States, manufacturing pianos in any wood to order and in any style, guaranteeing them absolutely perfect in tone, workmanship and finish. Their Queen street show rooms are devoted to a fine display of grand and upright pianos, parlor, bedroom and dining room furniture, folding beds, sideboards, baby carriages, bicycles, etc. Upwards of sixteen hands are regularly employed, and the firm employ a number of agents throughout the Province of Ontario. Special attention is paid to the tuning, repairing and re-polishing of pianos, only expert mechanics being employed. Mr. Bracken is a Canadian by birth, and one of our youngest, shrewdest, and most enterprising business men, thoroughly wide awake, and having a long experience in his line of business, and possessing unlimited resources, and, knowing well the wants of the trade, is prepared to offer exceptional inducements and the most liberal terms. It is to such enterprising houses as that of Bracken & Co. that the commercial and financial prosperity of Toronto is in a large measure due.

### LOCKHART & CO.

**O**NE of the best known and longest established grocery stores in this city is that of Lockhart & Co. It is popularly known as "Campers' Headquarters," on account of the large trade it does with yachting, camping, fishing and outing parties. "Campers' Headquarters" has been in existence over forty years. In 1873 Messrs. Jordan & Co. were in control, to whom succeeded later

on Mr. J. Berwick, and finally, in 1890, Lockhart & Co. assumed the management. The store is located in the Rossin House Block, and comprise a ground floor 30x75 feet in dimensions, and are handsomely fitted up, the liquor department facing on York street and the grocery store on King street. As a direct importer of fine wines, liquors and fancy groceries Mr. Lockhart permanently maintains the lead. The trade is both wholesale and retail, and the assortment embraces the most select Mocha and Java coffees, fresh crop China, Japan and Ceylon teas, foreign and domestic dried fruits, raisins, nuts, prunes, olives and olive oil, macaroni, vermicelli, sardines, French peas and mushrooms, chocolates and cocoas, sauces, pickles, preserves, jams, jellies, condiments, miscellaneous table delicacies, besides a full and complete stock of staple groceries, canned and potted meats, fish, fruit, vegetables, sugared hams, bacon, prime butter, fresh eggs, condensed milk, creams, etc. Mr. Lockhart carries a large stock of the choicest old wines of all vintages, Burgundies, Rhines, clarets, sauternes, champagnes, etc.; also full lines of Canadian, Scotch and Irish whiskies from leading distilleries, gins, rums, cordials, bitters, bottled lager, ale and porter. The house's own blend of Canadian whiskies, "No. 39," is famous and unsurpassed. Mr. Lockhart, who is a member of the Independent Order of Foresters, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and during the time he has been before the public he has made many friends, both socially and in a business way.

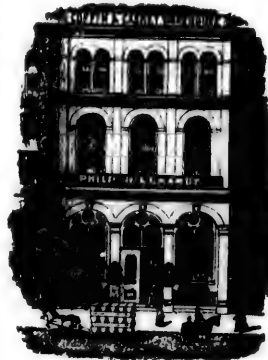
### H. P. ECKARDT & CO.

**I**N the wholesale grocery trade of the city of Toronto, a widely known house is that of Messrs. H. P. Eckardt & Co., whose offices and warehouse are centrally situated at No. 3 Front street east. This business was established in 1887 by Mr. H. P. Eckardt, who has since built up a liberal and influential patronage, his trade extending throughout Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and the North-West. The stock carried is extensive and includes everything pertaining to the staple and fancy grocery trade. Messrs. H. P. Eckardt & Co. make a specialty of teas, coffees and spices, the choicest Java, Mocha and Rio coffees, fresh crop China, India and Japan teas, while in canned goods, sugars, foreign and domestic dried fruits, tobacco, cigars, soaps, farinaceous goods, molasses, syrups, etc., they are always prepared to offer substantial inducements to jobbers and retailers. Only really first-class goods are handled, and the prices quoted by them necessarily attract the attention of close and prudent buyers. The premises comprise a spacious four-story brick and stone building, 30 x 180 feet in dimensions. The offices are handsomely appointed and furnished in modern style, and are con-

sidered among the finest in Toronto. Seven clerks in addition to porters and teamsters are employed, and they are also represented by seven travelling salesmen. Mr. H. P. Eckardt was born in Canada. He is an honorable and reliable merchant, greatly respected in trade circles.

### PHILP & ECKARDT.

**I**N the manufacture and importation of undertakers' supplies and furnishings, a representative and reliable house in Toronto is that of Messrs. Philp & Eckardt, whose office and salesrooms are situated at 100 and 102 Front street, west. The firm's factory, which is fully supplied with special machinery and appliances, is located corner Richmond and Sheppard streets. This business was founded in 1870, by Mr. R. Philp, who was succeeded in 1883 by R. Philp & Co. In 1890 the present firm was organized under the title of "Philp & Eckardt." Both partners have had long experience, and possess an intimate knowledge of this important industry, and of the requirements of undertakers in all sections of the country. The premises occupied for warehouses comprise a spacious



three-story and basement building, 100 x 102 feet in area, fitted up with every convenience for the accommodation of the extensive and valuable stock. They manufacture and import white metal, silver and gold-plated coffin mountings, burial robes, bed linings, wood and metallic coffins and caskets, and all descriptions of undertakers' furnishings. Their goods are unsurpassed for quality and uniform excellence, and have no superiors in Canada or the United States. Orders by mail or telegraph are promptly filled at the lowest possible prices, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout all sections of Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and the North-West. The business is strictly wholesale, and is steadily increasing. Messrs. Philp & Eckardt are highly esteemed for their enterprise and integrity, and are extremely popular in trade circles.



enterprising and energetic business man, who thoroughly understands every feature of the line, and the wants of the trade, being a practical mechanic in his special department of long and valuable experience. He is universally respected and esteemed by a wide circle of friends and patrons for his honorable and upright business methods.

#### ADOLPH SCHMIDT.

THIS gentleman is a practical fancy fur-skin dresser and dyer and brings to bear upon the business a full knowledge of its every detail. He occupies a two-story building, 42 x 107 feet dimensions, at 97 Richmond street, utilized as store, work and dyeing departments and residence, and is prepared and equipped to attend to orders promptly and satisfactorily. He manufactures furs of every kind, and dresses fur skins for the trade, also dyes furs by the best processes known in Europe and keeps on sale C'aks, muffs, boas, gloves, etc. Mr. Schmidt is a native of Germany where he learned his trade and came to New York city, engaged in business and remained there for a period of seven years. He has resided in Toronto since 1889, and a year after embarked in his present enterprise, which he conducts with such marked and pronounced success.

#### JOHN TAYLOR & CO.

THE manufacture of soap in Canada has now become a most important industry, and the leading house engaged therein in Toronto is that of Messrs. John Taylor & Co., proprietors of Morse Soap Works, whose office is situated at 77 Front street east. The firm's works, which are the largest in the Dominion, are located at the Don Station, East Toronto. This industry was founded in 1865 by G. D. Morse & Co., who were succeeded by Morrison, Taylor & Co. Eventually, in 1887, the firm of Messrs. John Taylor & Co. was organized and assumed control. The copartners, Messrs. John and M. J. Taylor, are practical and expert soap makers, and manufacture a full line of laundry and toilet soaps and perfumery, which are guaranteed free from adulteration of any kind. They adhere strictly to the great cardinal principle of using the best and purest of materials, while they exercise the greatest care throughout all the processes of manufacture, and their laundry soaps are the best and most healthful yet offered to the public. Messrs. John Taylor & Co. are likewise extensive manufacturers of toilet soaps of the finest grades, and for the leading drug and grocery trade no other brands of toilet soaps sell so well. Their laundry soaps are with-

out equal, while their toilet soaps are competing successfully against European and American importations. They export their soaps largely to the West Indies, and employ one hundred hands in their factory, while they also have nine travelling salesmen on the road. The output of their works is 200,000 pounds of soap weekly, and they also have branch houses in Montreal and Winnipeg. Mr. John Taylor was born in England, but came to Canada when a boy.

#### JOHN STARK & CO.

WITH the rapid growth of Toronto and the ever increasing demand for residences and manufacturing and commercial buildings, the real estate and financial interests of the city have received a wide expansion and have naturally come to form one of the chief investments for capital. Among the most enterprising and popular firms of stock and exchange brokers and real estate agents and valuers is that of Messrs. John Stark & Company, of No. 26 Toronto street, whose business had its inception thirty-five years ago. They are members of the Toronto Stock Exchange, and promptly fill orders for the purchase or sale of bonds, stocks, or miscellaneous securities, giving the utmost care and attention to the interests of their customers. The firm possess the best facilities for the receipt of the earliest information regarding stock interests, and the advantageous placing of orders. They also transact a general real estate business, manage estates, collect rents, and negotiate loans on mortgage. The Telephone call is 880. The firm enjoy the confidence and esteem of leading financial circles, and are in every way worthy representatives of the stock and real estate markets of the city.

#### E. M. CROKER.

THIS business was established in 1885 by E. M. Croker & Co., on Queen street east, and five years after a removal was made to the present location at 479 King street east, and the firm of Lord & Croker formed. In 1893 the firm was dissolved and Mr. Croker has since continued the business with signal success. The building occupied is 30 x 100 feet in area and in the salesroom a large stock of everything in the line of household furniture is carried, embracing upholstered goods, ha. some parlor and bedroom suites, sofas, lounges, chairs, rockers, side boards, tables, stands, desks, etc. Mr. Croker can always offer the best inducements to buyers and guarantee the best satisfaction. He makes a special business of buying and exchanging household furniture, stoves, and house furnishing goods and keeps in stock one of the largest and best assortments of new and second hand

household goods to be found in the city. Mr. Croker has resided in Toronto twenty years.

#### H. W. CUFF.

THIS gentleman has been established in St. Lawrence market since 1848 and has always enjoyed a successful and prosperous career, building up by his enterprise and fair dealing, besides a large local business a trade of the most substantial character extending throughout the Dominion. He pays marked attention to his customers and never sends out anything unless it is of the very best quality. Mr. Cuff makes a specialty of prime sugar and honey cured hams and breakfast bacon, which are celebrated over the Dominion and always in active demand, also smoked meats of all kinds and provisions, gilt edge butter, fresh eggs, lard, large and small game, poultry and all kinds fresh meats. Everything he has for sale is first-class and carefully selected to meet the requirements of a critical and exacting trade. Delivery wagons are in constant service and orders always promptly filled, six clerks being employed.

#### TORONTO NURSING HOME.

THERE is no necessity for an elaborate announcement of the purposes of the Toronto Nursing Home and Cottage Hospital. The fact that it has steadily grown in public favor and confidence during the short time it has been in existence is at once an evidence that there is a demand for its existence. The Home is not a public hospital, but a private establishment where the advantage of trained nursing can be obtained under the direction of the medical attendant of the patient, or by the medical superintendent of the institution, as may be desired. Patients are admitted for surgical operations, confinements, massage, electrical treatment and all non-infectious diseases, and are carefully looked after and attended to by trained nurses. Both male and female patients are received and the best reference given when required. Dr. Lowe, who is well known in this city in professional circles, is the Medical Superintendent, and Miss Dover, a graduate of the Toronto Training School, is in charge of the Home, and from whom circulars, terms and full information may be obtained. The location of the Home, Nos. 27 and 29 Montague Place, facing Homewood avenue, is one of the most desirable in the city. It is close to the Horticultural Gardens and easily reached by the Carlton street or Belt Line cars. The Home is neatly and tastefully furnished throughout, perfectly ventilated, lighted and heated, and every comfort and convenience is provided for the accommodation of patients.

**WM. STITT & CO.**

ONE of the most prominent establishments in Toronto is that of Wm. Stitt & Co., dealers in dress goods, millinery and dress and mantle makers. The firm has been established in business a period of ten years and besides a large local trade many orders are filled from Montreal, Kingston and all the leading cities. The premises are located at 11 and 13 King street east. A wide range of dress fabrics of every kind is kept in stock, also dress trimmings, ribbons, laces, corsets, lace and Swede gloves and all the latest novelties in fancy goods. This establishment is also known as the Regent House and Paris kid glove store. Orders for tailor-made suits, gowns, cloaks, mantles, also millinery and bridal trousseaux, etc., are carefully filled, and Messrs Stitt & Co. are the recognized leaders of fashion in ladies' wearing apparel. Among the patrons of the house were Pattie, Rose Coughlan, Mlle. Rhea and many other leading actresses. Mr. Wm. Stitt is a native Canadian, and an honorable and reliable business man.

**PARIS KID GLOVE STORE.**

ONE of the most attractive among the prominent business establishments in this city is the Paris Kid Glove Store at No. 13 King street east. This popular store was established eight years ago. In dimensions it is 25 x 125 feet and in its fittings and appointments perfect and complete. The stock of gloves carried embraces all the choicest and best French and English productions, including the celebrated Felice Parisian kid gloves, also the "Perren Frere," "Derby" Adele, Suede gloves, "Mousquetaires," men's driving gloves and a full line of dress gloves in various materials, mitts, etc. These goods are all imported direct by the proprietors Messrs. Stitt & Co. and fully guaranteed as represented. Polite lady assistants are always in attendance, who are adepts at glove fitting and unremitting in their attentions.

**TORONTO ELECTRIC AND NOVELTY BRASS WORKS.**

AMONG the practical electricians in this city is Mr. J. Lawson, Sr., and J. W. Lawson, Jr., proprietors of the Toronto electric and novelty brass works, manufacturers of all kinds of electric batteries and apparatus. Mr. Lawson is a native of England and has been established in business here since 1890. He makes a specialty of manufacturing Faradic and galvanic medical batteries, electrodes, medical belts, call bells, continuous ringing burglar alarms and general electric

supplies, repairing batteries, etc., also receives his personal attention. He also manufactures a perfect automatic music turner for use of bands, performers on the piano or any musical instrument. Mr. Lawson, Sr., is popularly known in this city and has the reputation of being one of the best electricians and manufacturers of electric batteries, etc., in Canada. Mr. J. W. Lawson, Jr., has been associated with his father since the founding of the business and is a thorough electrician and an enterprising young man. They are located at 35 Wellington street east.

**L. NAGEL.**

A LEADING furniture house on Queen street east is that of Mr. L. Nagel, at 100 on that street. Mr. Nagel, who was born in Germany, has been in Toronto since 1886, been established in business since 1887 and has always enjoyed a large patronage. The premises have dimensions of 25 x 100 feet and in the stock will be found elegant richly upholstered parlor and bed room suites, extension tables, library furniture, chairs, rockery, hat racks, book cases, side boards; in short, everything in the line of household furniture. Goods are sold for cash on the instalment plan and the best satisfaction guaranteed purchasers. Mr. Nagel also attends to upholstering in all its branches and repairing and keeps in his employ experienced workmen. He is doing a large business and is universally popular.

**REID & BROWN.**

THIS prosperous industry was established originally by Messrs. Goods & Hardy, who were succeeded in 1887 by the present firm. The copartners, Messrs. Reid & Brown, are thoroughly practical iron founders and pattern makers, who are fully conversant with every detail of this useful industry and with the requirements of the most critical patrons. The premises occupied at foot of West Market street comprise a spacious foundry, shops, etc., 40 x 150 feet in area, fully supplied with the latest improved tools, appliances and machinery, operated by electrical power. Mr. Reid was born in Scotland, while Mr. Brown is a Canadian.

**E. K. SCOLEY.**

THIS house was founded in 1865 by Mr. Scoley and from its inception it has been the recipient of a large and permanent city, family and country trade. The premises occupied are situated at 35, 37 and 39 St. Lawrence Market, opposite City Weigh House and have a floor area of 18 x 40 feet. The stock carried has been carefully selected to meet the demands of a first

class trade, and embraces the finest and best teas and coffees, spices, sugars, syrups, canned goods, table sauces, relishes, delicacies, hams, bacon, provisions of all kinds, dairy butter, cheese, eggs and grocers' sundries of every description. Polite assistants are employed, two delivery teams in constant service and orders receive prompt attention and filled at the shortest notice. Mr. Scoley is one of the oldest among the popular grocers in the city, and a man of enterprise, fully conversant with the wants of his trade and sustains an excellent reputation in commercial circles. He was born in England and has been a resident of Toronto for a period of thirty-five years.

**C. H. COUEN.**

A WELL KNOWN dispensing chemist in this city, who has always sustained a high reputation and won the popularly bestowed distinction of being a leading exponent of the profession, is Mr. C. H. Couen, who is located at the corner Parliament and Carlton streets. The store is of ample dimensions and embraces in its generally complete appointment all the modern adjuncts of elegance and convenience and is largely patronized by the surrounding residents. Mr. Couen is conducting business with professional knowledge and skill according to modern ideas and fills physicians' prescriptions and family recipes with care and accuracy. Only pure fresh drugs are kept in stock, also family medicines, pharmaceuticals, perfumes, toilet articles and everything that belongs to the business. A native of Canada, Mr. Couen has resided in Toronto for some time and is well and popularly known.

**M. J. CROTTIE.**

THIS gentleman has been established in business a period of ten years and has since been conducting a large and steadily increasing trade. Polite and efficient assistants are in attendance and a large and admirably selected stock of goods is carried, comprising handsome silks, satins, dress fabrics, laces, corsets, shawls, woollens, domestics, muslins, linens, draperies, ladies' and gentlemen's furnishings, including gloves, hosiery, neckwear, and a wide range of notions, novelties and trimmings, and everything in the line of imported and domestic staple and fancy dry goods. Reasonable prices is the rule of this popular house, and Mr. Crottie, the courteous, obliging proprietor, is ever on the alert to please patrons. He is a native of Canada and a progressive, live, wide-awake business man, and his career is an evidence of his sterling worth and ability, reflecting the highest credit upon his character. His stores are at 838 and 844 Yonge street.

## W. T. JENNINGS.

**A**MONG the representative civil engineers in this city is W. T. Jennings, M.I.C.E., whose office is in Room 506, Board of Trade Building. Mr. Jennings is chief engineer and builder of the Niagara Falls Park and River Electric Railway. He has had a long, valuable experience in his profession, covering a period of upwards of twenty years. For several years Mr. Jennings was connected with the Engineering department of the Great Western Railway, and severed his connection with that road to accept an important position in the Dominion Government service, and afterwards with the Canadian Pacific Railway. Later he was appointed city engineer of Toronto, but resigned to resume private practice. Mr. Jennings is a member of the Canadian Society Civil Engineers, and Institute of Civil Engineers, and is a native of Toronto. To no personal career among the many honourable records of prominent men in business and professional life can the citizens of Toronto point with greater pride than to that of the gentleman who forms the subject of this historic sketch, and to any one needing the services of a civil engineer we would advise them to consult Mr. Jennings, as he has by his extensive experience become thoroughly proficient in his difficult profession, and knows how to handle all the difficult problems that continually arise, and which many times baffle those of less experience.

## THE "HUB."

**T**HIS is undoubtedly one of the best equipped and most popular establishments of its kind in Toronto, and under the judicious management of Mr. W. W. Robinson, the courteous and genial proprietor, a large and steadily increasing patronage has been secured. The premises are 30 x 75 feet in area, with entrance from Leader Lane and Colborne street, and the interior fittings are handsome and attractive, all the surroundings being in perfect keeping with the character of the business. The bar is supplied with the choicest foreign wines and liquors, French brandy, Canadian ales and English ales, porter, etc., and superior old Bourbon and rye whiskies, also imported, and domestic cigars of all the leading brands. A refreshment and lunch counter is kept in connection and everything in the way of edibles when in season is served. The service is prompt and courteous and no trouble or expense is spared to maintain the high class character of the establishment. Mr. Robinson, who came to Toronto from Orillia, is a young man, an experienced caterer and popular with all his many patrons. A fine merchants' lunch is furnished daily and among the permanent patrons are many of the leading business men.

## BARKE &amp; GRAY.

**E**VERY trade and every profession has undergone great changes and improvements within the past decade, and in none have they been so great as in photography. In fact, one of the most notable features that seem to emphasize this wonderful age of progress is the steady and remarkable advance made in photography from day to day, until it seems as if there were something more perfect than perfection itself. We find this perfection nowhere more strongly exemplified than at the studio of Messrs. Barke & Gray, No. 294 Queen street west. The business was established in 1890 by the present proprietors, Messrs. J. F. Barke and A. A. Gray, both thorough masters of their beautiful art in its every feature and detail. They occupy spacious premises, centrally located, and where they have every facility for the prompt and satisfactory execution of their work. The reception rooms and studio are very handsomely furnished and every little detail has been observed to secure the comfort of patrons. Messrs. Barke & Gray undertake everything in photography, including fine portrait and landscape work, interiors, etc., and make a specialty of composite photos and work for the trade, crayons, bromide enlargements, water colors, India ink, etc. Their prices are moderate and satisfaction is guaranteed in every instance. Both partners have been popular residents of Toronto for a number of years.

## J. E. AUSTEN.

**M**R. J. E. AUSTEN has long been noted as one of the best practical civil and military tailors in this city, and the splendid work he turns out has brought him many patrons and given him a wide reputation. He has been established in business since 1878, and occupies tastefully fitted up premises complete in all appointments at No. 6 Slater street. Mr. Austen is a careful, painstaking business man, an accomplished cutter and first-class tailor, possessing abilities of the highest order and exquisite taste and judgment in all that pertains to elegance in gentlemen's wearing apparel and military and society uniforms. He caters to the best class of patronage, giving sedulous attention to business and the demands of customers, and has established a high degree of popularity. In the store a fine assortment of goods of all kinds for men's wear is displayed, also material and trimmings for military uniforms, and a large assortment of society regalia, etc. The goods are the best productions of the most distinguished English and Canadian manufacturers and are first-class in every respect. Mr. Austen is of English birth. He has resided in Toronto for some years and is a prominent member of the Free

Masons. He is ably assisted in business by his son, Mr. James Austen, a young man of most excellent business capacity, a thorough practical tailor and one of the best exponents of the art in the city. This establishment is one of the most popular in the city.

## THE SULLIVAN CARRIAGE WORKS.

**T**HE manufacture of fine carriages is conducted upon an extensive scale by Mr. W. J. Hunter, manager of the Sullivan Carriage works, located in Toronto at 10 and 12 Alice street. This business was established in 1878 by Mr. J. P. Sullivan, who died after an honorable career. He was succeeded by Mr. W. J. Hunter, who is a thoroughly expert and practical



carriage builder, fully conversant with every detail of this important industry and with the requirements of the most exacting customers. The premises occupied comprise a spacious three-story building 50 x 150 feet in area. The work-shops are fully supplied with modern tools and appliances, and twenty-five first-class workmen are employed. Only the best and choicest materials and lumber are utilized, while the designs are new and artistic and the workmanship the best. Mr. Hunter manufactures and keeps in stock buggies, landaus, broughams, victorias, T carts, phaetons, doctors' tilburies, surreys, dog carts, Whitechapel and Perry carts. These vehicles are unsurpassed for ease of draught, durability and elegance, while the prices quoted for them are extremely moderate. Mr. Hunter has had thirty-five years' experience in the manufacture of carriages, and is highly regarded in trade circles for his mechanical skill and strict probity. Persons requiring really first-class carriages should patronize this responsible establishment, which offers advantages very difficult to be duplicated.



**NICHOLS, SMYTHE & CO.**

THE importance of Toronto as the great wholesale trade center of the west and center of Canada is forcibly demonstrated by reference to the leading establishments here located, each in its respective line. In that of Portland cement, plaster, fire brick and clay, the leading house is that of Messrs. Nichols, Smythe & Co. The business was established in 1887 by Messrs.

one point in which our cities are lamentably weak it is just the want of such pavements. This business was established in 1887 by Messrs. Alfred Gardner and J. L. Nichols, whose office is located Room 17, Yonge street Arcade. The firm's Eureka Granitic Sidewalks are formed of crushed granite and Portland cement, the manipulation of this composition requiring more than the skill of the ordinary laborer. Messrs. A. Gardner & Co. have already laid down over four miles of their Eureka Granitic Sidewalk in Toronto, the greater part being opposite the Exhibition grounds. They are also contractors for cement and granite concrete flooring and paving, stable and cellar floors, roadways, etc. Messrs. Gardner and Nichols were both born in England and are highly regarded for their business skill and strict probity.



McRae & Co., Mr. Albert E. S. Smythe being manager. On January 1st, 1892, Mr. Smythe bought out Mr. McRae's interest, and Mr. J. Lister Nichols coming in, the present firm was organized, Mr. Alfred Gardner becoming junior partner. Their warehouse, located at 25 George street, is two stories in height and 70 feet by 225 in dimensions. Here is carried a heavy stock of the choicest Portland cement, fire brick and clay, while on the second floor is a large stock of drain tile, water lime, etc. Portland cement is required by builders and contractors everywhere, and the firm last year imported over thirty thousand barrels, and this year's trade promises to be far in excess of these figures. Mr. Nichols is a native of England, and Mr. Smythe, of the North of Ireland. Both have resided in Toronto for some years, and are very widely known as responsible, reliable business men.

**ALFRED GARDNER & CO.**

IN introducing a paving material combining the qualities of durability, cleanliness and smoothness, without being slippery, the Toronto firm of Messrs. Alfred Gardner & Co. deserve public recognition, for if there is

expert printer, who has secured an influential patronage, owing to the beauty and thoroughness of his work, and the reliable manner in which he carries out all undertakings. The premises are spacious and commodious, and the workrooms are fully supplied with the latest improved presses, ruling, gilding, binding and cutting machines, operated by steam power. The range of work includes all kinds of commercial and job printing, invoices, envelopes, letter heads, business cards, order books, catalogues, etc. A special feature is the embossing of cards in all colors and shapes, which is equal, if not superior, to any work turned out in the country. The Telephone call of the office is No. 50, and orders transmitted by this means, by telegram or by mail, receive as prompt attention as if delivered in person. Thirty-five skilled printers, etc., are employed, and the trade of the house extends throughout Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. Mr. Webber is highly regarded for his just methods, and enjoys an excellent reputation in trade circles for the artistic merit of his work, and to those needing anything in the printing line, we would advise them to give Mr. Webber a call, knowing that in promptness of work, quality and prices he can please you.

**WEBBER PRINTING CO.**

AMONG the most reliable and prominent houses in Toronto, is that known as the Webber Printing Company, whose offices and workrooms are situated at 48 and 50 Lombard Street. This prosperous printing business was established thirteen years ago. Mr. Webber is a thoroughly

**ARMORY HOTEL.**

TORONTO has a number of comfortable and well managed hostleries, and among them the popular, old-established Armory hotel is well deserving mention. This house was opened as long ago as 1858 and four years ago came under the control of Mr. J. J. Coulter, who has since made considerable improvements about the premises and newly fitted and re-furnished the rooms throughout in modern style, and is well prepared to receive and entertain guests. The situation of the hotel, Nos. 12-14 West Market street, is very central and convenient, and the accommodations afforded for the price, \$1.00 per day, are superior in every respect. There are upwards of thirty rooms available for guests, besides parlor, sitting rooms, office, dining room and a well kept bar. The table is supplied with the best of everything in season and plenty of it, and Mr. Coulter has the reputation of being one of the best landlords in the city. Ample stabling is connected with the hotel and every accommodation is provided for the travelling public and farmers. The bar is at all times stocked with the choicest foreign and domestic wines and liquors, ales, porter, beer, cigars, etc., and careful assistants in attendance. Mr. Coulter was born in Durham County, Ontario. He is a practical hotel man of thirteen years experience and a social, genial and courteous gentleman. He has resided in Toronto since 1886, and has a host of friends.

**HUTCHINSON & PETERSON.**

A POPULAR and progressive business house in Toronto is that of Hutchinson & Peterson, sole manufacturers of Hutchinson's patent spring stopper and bottlers' supplies. This business was established in 1881 by Mr. A. Peterson and continued for a period of three years, when he formed a partnership with Mr. W. A. Hutchinson. In 1891 Mr. Peterson bought out his partner's interest and has since continued the business. The building occupied at No. 106 Front street east is three stories and basement high and 25x100 feet in dimensions. The first floor is the office and sales department, and the upper floors, which are well equipped with special appliances and a five horse-power electric motor engine, are utilized for manufacturing purposes. This is the only factory of its kind in the Dominion, and supplies the trade and bottlers in all the cities and towns with the Hutchinson patent stopper, also syrups of all flavors, extracts, essential oils, etc., for manufacturing soda and mineral waters, and bottlers' supplies of every description. Only standard quality extracts, syrups, etc., are manufactured, which are always in demand. The busi-



ness is of large annual aggregate and Mr. Peterson has recently expended over \$7,500 in refitting the manufacturing plant to meet the steadily growing demands of the trade. Twelve hands are employed and orders are filled and delivered promptly.

### JOHN REGGIN.

ONE of the best known and most reliable roofers in this city is Mr. John Reggin, who has devoted many years to the business and has been established in it since 1888 and in that time executed considerable work, which in every instance gave unbounded satisfaction. His office is at 34 Victoria street, room 9, and branch at 167 Brunswick ave. in the west end. Mr. Reggin furnishes estimates for slate, tile, felt and gravel roofings, also for galvanized iron work, and fully guarantees the best satisfaction. He gives his personal attention to the fulfilment of contracts and orders, also to repairing, and fully warrants all his work. A force of reliable hands is employed and all work placed in his hands is carried through to completion with promptness and despatch. Mr. Reggin is a native Canadian and has resided in Toronto about fifteen years. He is a man in whom the most implicit confidence may be placed and has always sustained a high reputation. He is doing a large, prosperous business.

### CHARLES POTTER.

THE best as well as one of the oldest opticians and manufacturers of mathematical, philosophical and surveying instruments in Toronto is Mr. Charles Potter, whose office, store and workshop is at 31 King street east. Mr. Potter has been established in business in this city since 1853. He was born in London, England, where he served a regular apprenticeship, and is a complete master of his art. His store is 25 x 150 feet in area, and here is displayed a splendid stock of optical goods, embracing spectacles, eye glasses, opera, field and marine glasses, telescopes, microscopes, thermometers, artificial eyes, etc., also charts, instruments, ophthalmoscopes, and oculists' supplies and he is also sole agent for government charts. Mr. Potter makes a special business of adjusting spectacles and eye glasses to suit all sights and fills oculists' prescriptions with professional knowledge and skill. He is prepared to execute orders for the largest lenses and his goods have no superiors in this country or Europe. Mr. Potter is well known throughout the Dominion as an active, enterprising business man, and prominent as the principal partner in the Map and School Supply Co. In connection with Mr. Cummings, he visits England frequently and such goods as he does not manufacture he imports direct.

### HOOVER & CO.

ONE of the oldest, best known and most reliable pharmacies in the city is that of Hoover & Company, located at 43 King street west, with a branch at 444 Spadina avenue. The history of the business dates back over sixty years, when it was established by Jos. Beckett & Co., and for the last forty years it has been run under the present style, the proprietors being Edward and Charles E. Hoover. The present proprietors are Messrs. F. H. Holgate and A. R. Fraser. Their main store on King street west is one of the finest in the city, being 25 x 100 feet in dimensions, and fitted up and furnished throughout as only a first-class establishment of its kind should be. Here will be found a full and complete stock of pure, fresh drugs, chemicals, pharmaceutical specialties, toilet and fancy articles, and the firm have always on hand a number of preparations of their own compounding, which are highly recommended by all who have used them, and include Meloderma, a fine preparation for the complexion, and also a superior lavender water. The firm's laboratory is one of the best equipped in the city, where family recipes and physicians' prescriptions are carefully and accurately compounded. Both partners enjoy the respect and esteem of both professional and lay circles, and have ever maintained a high position in the leading commercial and social circles of the city.

### THE TORONTO STEEL-CLAD BATH AND METAL CO., Ltd.

AMONG the many improvements in sanitary engineering during the last few years must be mentioned the modern bath. We have in our city an enterprising concern that has recently invented and perfected a bath which in many points is far superior to the best metal or porcelain baths yet produced, and this is called the steel-clad bath, manufactured by the Toronto Steel-Clad Bath and Metal Co., Limited. This new sanitary bath is constructed with an outside shell of steel and an inside lining of polished copper. By the very nature of the materials of which it is constructed it will not decay, rust or corrode, and is always absolutely clean and free from smell. These baths are made in three sizes in both the French and Roman patterns, weighing only about one hundred pounds, the objection of weight so often urged against the solid iron or porcelain tubs is entirely done away with. It is all open and accessible; has no encasing of any kind, no place for accumulation of impurities; dampness cannot affect it, it is all metal (with exception of wood rim on top), nothing about it to shrink or decay; it cannot leak; it is light but strong and durable, and finally, it is the cheapest bath in the market. Mr. George Booth, the president of the Company, is the patentee

of this now famous invention, and the steel-clad bath and the special process of manufacture are covered by patents (owned by the Company) in Canada, Great Britain, the United States and Australia. The business was established and incorporated as a joint stock company July 4th, 1892, with the head office and factory at 123 Queen street east. The factory itself is a four-story brick structure 50 x 110 feet in dimensions. Upwards of thirty expert mechanics are steadily employed, and the goods are shipped to all parts of the Dominion. There are three other factories for the manufacture of the bath, as follows: Sanitary Bath Company, 12 Miller street, Camden Town, London, Eng., and a second under the style of Steel Bath Manufacturing Company, Michigan avenue, Detroit, Mich., U.S.A., and a third in New York City, also branch warehouses, one at 706 Craig street, Montreal, and another at 56 Beekman street, New York. The officers of the Company are George Booth, president; James Watson, vice-president, and A. G. Booth, secretary and treasurer. This is emphatically a Toronto enterprise, and as such we take special pleasure in allotting it prominent mention in the review of the city industries. Its stockholders are all Toronto men, and the enterprise itself serves as another illustration of the energy, push and enterprize which have always marked the history of this city.

### THOMAS CLAXTON.

ONE of the leading and largest business establishments in its line is that of Mr. Thomas Claxton, dealer in all kinds of musical merchandise, at 197 Yonge street. It is also one of the oldest, and was established by Mr. Claxton in 1868. The premises comprise two floors, each 25 x 100 feet in area, and an immense stock is carried, embracing violins, guitars, mandoline, cellos, accordions, concertinas, etc., and everything in the line of small musical instruments; also the celebrated band instruments and clarionets manufactured by Consonance & Co., of Paris, who were awarded first gold medal at Paris Exhibition in 1889, and for which he has the sole agency in Canada, together with other brass and orchestral instruments of the finest European and American manufacture. Claxton's yellow-end strings, which sell at twenty cents each, are pronounced the best strings in the market, and are superior to all others in tone and durability. All the latest sheet music and music books can be had, also instruction books for all instruments. Mr. Claxton supplies orchestras and bands with instruments, and has a large trade which comes from all parts of the Dominion of Canada. He is a musician of skill and reputation and makes a special business of furnishing orchestral music for balls, parties, etc. He is widely known and is a recognized authority on wind and string instruments, and keeps in stock the finest and best made in the world.

**CLEMES BROS.**

**A** LEADING firm in Toronto, actively engaged in the importation of green and dried fruits, is that of Messrs. Clemes Bros., Commission Merchants, whose office and salesrooms are situated at 51 Front Street East. For 30 years Messrs. Clemes & Son carried on business at Port Hope. In July '91 the sons removed to Toronto and organized the present firm of Messrs. Clemes Bros., the co-partners being Messrs. J. P., M. P., H. W. and A. E. Clemes. The premises occupied comprise a substantial three-story building, 30x100 feet in size, fully supplied with every convenience for the preservation of the well selected and choice stock. They import and handle all descriptions of green and dried fruits, oranges, lemons, pineapples, bananas, apples, pears, melons, etc. Consignments of produce and fruit are received, and quick sales and immediate returns guaranteed. The business has lately increased 100 per cent. Orders are immediately filled at the lowest ruling market prices, and the trade of the firm extends throughout Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West. Messrs. J. P. and M. P. Clemes were born in Cornwall, England, while Messrs. W. H. and A. E. Clemes are natives of Port Hope. They are widely known for their promptness and strict integrity, and are very popular in trade circles. Mr. J. P. Clemes was Mayor of Port Hope, and Quartermaster of the Midland Battalion. The Telephone call of the office is 1766.

**H. H. WARNER & CO., LIMITED.**

**A**MONG the greatest triumphs and medical discoveries of the present age is the production of Warner's Safe Remedies, of which Messrs. H. H. Warner & Co. are the enterprising proprietors and manufacturers. Their specialties are known as Warner's Safe Cure, Warner's Safe Rheumatic Cure, Warner's Safe Diabetes Cure, Warner's Safe Nerve, Warner's Safe Asthma Cure, and Warner's Safe Pills. The headquarters and principal offices of the firm are at Rochester, N. Y., and they also have extensive branches in Toronto, Ont., London, England, Frankfurt, Germany, Pressburg, Hungary, and Melbourne, Australia. Warner's famous Safe Remedies are perfectly safe to use, and have proved a great blessing to thousands of suffering patients in all parts of the world. All these remedies are entirely free from mercury, and from poisonous and deleterious substances, and being purely vegetable they are harmless to the constitution, and unexcelled in their curative powers. All Warner's medicines are carefully put up and bear a "Safe" and the firm's fac-simile signature. Mr. J. L. Todd, the

Toronto manager, has been with the firm for the past eight years. He is widely known, and promptly fills orders for any section of the Dominion. The firm's branch in Toronto is at 18 Front Street East, and is one of the finest buildings in the city. Warner's remedies are admitted by thousands to be the most effective and safe yet offered to suffering humanity.

**HENRY SMITH.**

**O**NE of the most prominent houses in Toronto, in its line, is that of Mr. Henry Smith, importer and wholesale dealer in fancy goods, drug sundries, woodenware, etc., whose offices and salesrooms are centrally located at 53 Bay Street. This extensive business was originally founded in 1873 by Messrs. Smith & Fudger, who conducted it till 1890, when they dissolved partnership. Mr. Smith removing to his present premises. Mr. Smith has influential connections in Europe, and imports direct from the most celebrated French, British, German, Austrian and Swiss houses, and is always the first in Toronto to display the latest novelties. He goes often to Europe, and is widely known for his enterprise and business capacity. The premises occupied comprise a spacious five story and basement building, 30x125 feet in area, fully equipped with every convenience, elevator, etc. Mr. Smith handles only first-class goods and quotes prices that defy competition, and his trade now extends throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the North-West, and British Columbia. Twenty clerks and assistants are employed in this establishment, and five travelling salesmen represent him on the road. Mr. Smith was born in London, and is a thoroughly experienced and honorable business man.

**JOHN M. TREBLE.**

**O**NE of the largest importers and manufacturers in his special line in Canada is Mr. John M. Treble, manufacturer of perfect fitting French yoke shirts and direct importer of men's furnishing goods, located at 53 King Street West, corner Bay—established in 1895. During all the intervening years he has devoted himself assiduously to his business. He occupies for business purposes a commodious three story building, 50x100 feet in dimensions. On the first floor are the handsome store and offices, and here will be found a choice and comprehensive assortment of men's furnishings, including shirts, collars, cuffs, neckwear, waterproof coats, outing shirts, etc. On the second floor is the storage department, where is kept the reserve stock, and in the third is the shirt factory, where are regularly employed from fifteen to

twenty-five hands. Mr. Treble is a large importer of linens, collars and cuffs direct from England, Germany, France and Ireland, and of flannels from Scotland. He makes a specialty of manufacturing the famous perfect fitting French yoke shirts, guaranteed as to fit and workmanship. These shirts can be had made to measure or selected direct from stock. Mr. Treble has built a trade which now extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific and controls what is probably the largest local patronage in his line in the city. All orders received by mail—or telephone No. 2270—receive prompt attention.

**JOHN WATSON.**

**A**GENTLEMAN who in every sense is well up in his art and who has achieved an enviable reputation for the finest work in his special line is Mr. John Watson, merchant tailor, whose establishment is centrally located at 88 King Street East. Mr. Watson established his business in this city in 1891. Mr. Watson always carries a fine line of woollens, cassimeres, cloths, suitings and trouserings of the very best imported grades and makes a specialty of fine trousers to order, guaranteeing an absolutely perfect fit, and satisfaction in every particular. His fine line of goods are all of the best English and Scottish makes, and only the latest styles and patterns are to be found in his model establishment. Mr. Watson also pays particular attention to the cut, style and material of overcoats, both for fall and winter wear, and being a practical cutter and fitter himself, and employing only the best talent he allows no garment to leave his hands that is not absolutely perfect in fit, finish and workmanship. Mr. Watson is a typical Scotchman, and one of our most enterprising and popular business men, who has achieved success by deserving it.

**W. H. MUCKLE.**

**N**O one in Toronto is better equipped or has greater facilities for the moving, packing, and shipping of furniture, household goods, merchandise, etc., than Mr. W. H. Muckle, General Cartage Contractor, whose office is located at 46 Front St. East. He established this business in 1858, and his barns are situated at 108 William, 73 Mutual, and 95 Lombard streets. Each of his employees at his barns is authorized to take orders, and telephone the same to the head office, while all cartage orders are guaranteed safe delivery. Mr. Muckle does a large amount of work for the American Line of Steamers, the Hamilton Steam Boat Co., and for all steamers plying to Geddes Wharf. He employs constantly 10 men and 25 horses, and his stock is valued at \$10,000. His business has increased 65 per cent. in the last three years. Furniture and pianos are handled with great care, while

in every department prices are most reasonable, the charge for delivering trunks to any part of the city being 25 cents. Special vans are employed for moving furniture, and a dozen other wagons from the equipment of this well patronized establishment. Mr. Muckle is a Scotchman. He is a gentleman in the prime of life and vigor, and has made hosts of friends among all classes in the community.

### CALDECOTT, BURTON & SPENCE.

THE most important house in its line in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. Caldecott, Burton & Spence, wholesale dry goods merchants and importers, whose offices and salesrooms are centrally situated at 46 and 48 Bay street. This extensive business was founded in 1879 and the copartners, Messrs. Caldecott, Burton & Spence, have had long experience in the wholesale dry goods trade. They occupy a spacious five-story warehouse, 70 x 120 feet in area, fully supplied with every convenience for the immense and valuable stock. A speciality is made by the firm of silks, satins, hosiery, gloves and mantle-cloths, and they import direct from the most celebrated British, French and German houses. Messrs. Caldecott, Burton & Spence are agents in Toronto for the Lee Spinning Co. of Manchester, England, manufacturers of cottons and muslins, and employ forty clerks and twelve travelling salesmen. Only medium and first-class goods are handled in all departments, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout all sections of the Dominion. They have duly qualified buyers in the principal European markets, and are always the first in Toronto to display the latest novelties and fabrics. The partners are all natives of Toronto, highly esteemed in trade circles for their enterprise, business ability and strict integrity, and have ever been active supporters of all measures conducive to the benefit and welfare of this thriving city.

### JAMES GOOD & CO.

ONE of the leading among the old established wholesalers and retail dealers in general groceries, wines and liquors in this city is the firm of James Good & Co., located at 220 Yonge street, corner Albert. The business was established twenty-six years ago, and is under the control of Mr. James Good, the sole proprietor, who occupies a position in the front rank of the trade and numbers among his patrons the best families in the city. The premises comprise three flats, each 20 x 110 feet in area, and the stock consists of everything in the line of

staple and fancy groceries, including hermetically sealed fruits, vegetables, etc., in tin and glass, table luxuries and delicacies of every kind, and the choicest imported French and other imported wines, fine old whiskies, malt liquors, etc. In the bottling department Mr. Good is doing an extensive trade. He is sole agent for Labatt's renowned ale and stout and for the Pabst Brewing Co., and also agent for St. Leon mineral water and in this branch of the business employ about fifteen hands. Mr. Good, who was born in Ireland and has resided in Toronto twenty-seven years, has always sustained a high reputation. He deals in goods only of a superior quality.

### THE HENDERSON DELIVERY CO.

THE largest and best equipped delivery business in Toronto is that of The Henderson Delivery Company, located at 39 Richmond street west. The business was established in 1881, and has enjoyed a most prosperous career from that time to the present, and in 1893 was purchased by the present company. The company attend to all kinds of city and suburban delivery, parcels being called for and delivered to all parts of the city, parcel delivery being a speciality. Removals of all kinds are promptly attended to, the company employing only careful and experienced men. The company's premises at the above address are centrally located on Richmond street, and are 25 x 40 feet in dimensions, consisting of office and clearing room, and upwards of twelve men and ten wagons are regularly employed. All orders sent to Telephone 1409 will be promptly attended to, and all merchandise handled with care and despatch. In addition to the delivery business the company have added a boarding stable, which is centrally located at No. 1 Pearl street, in rear of the Mail Building, and special attention is paid to the boarding of horses, for which the accommodation is most complete, the stables being well lighted, ventilated and thoroughly drained. They have secured the services of a first-class man, and every facility that ingenuity can devise, or that an anxious regard for the welfare of customers can suggest, is here to be found. They also have ample shed room for a number of carriages and wagons. The proprietors are all natives of Canada and are among our most energetic and prosperous business men.

### EBY, BLAIN & CO.

THE leading representative house in the city of Toronto extensively engaged in the wholesale grocery trade is that of Messrs. Eby, Blain & Co., whose offices and warehouse are situated on corner of Front and Scott

streets. This is one of the oldest grocery establishments in Toronto, and was founded in 1871, the present proprietors being Messrs. J. F. Eby and Hugh Blain. They possess an intimate knowledge of every detail of the grocery trade and import direct from China, Japan, Europe, the East and West Indies. The premises occupied are spacious and are fitted up with every convenience for the accommodation and preservation of the immense, well-selected and valuable stock. Messrs. Eby, Blain & Co. make a leading speciality of teas, coffees and spices;



the choicest Java, Mocha and Rio coffees, fresh crop Oolongs, Japans, English Breakfast, Imperial Young Hyson, Gunpowder, Indian and other standard teas are always to be found here, all quoted at the firm's usually low prices. They also keep constantly on hand a heavy and superior stock of sugars, soaps, foreign dried fruits, canned goods, pickles, sauces, farinaceous goods, molasses, syrups, tobacco, cigars, etc., in which they offer substantial inducements to the trade. Messrs. Eby, Blain & Co. handle only really first-class and pure goods in all departments, and carefully and promptly fill orders, their trade extending throughout Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West. Both Messrs. Eby and Blain were born in Canada. They are honorable, energetic and liberal business men, and popular members of the Board of Trade. Fifty-two clerks, assistants, etc., are employed in this establishment, and they also have thirteen travelling salesmen on the road.

**B. WALTON.**

**A**MONG the many washers and wringers that have been placed on the market within the last decade it is safe to say that none have met with such universal favor as that invented, patented and manufactured by Mr. B. Walton. It is known as the "Surprise" Washer and Wringer, and sold all over Canada, and has



given better satisfaction than any other ever before brought to the notice of the public. Everybody is shouting the praise of this machine. The office and factory are located at No. 271 King street east, and every convenience is provided for manufacturing the washers and wringers on a large scale. Mr. Walton is a native of Canada, came to Toronto in 1886, and established business at 57 Jarvis street, and in 1893, owing to increasing trade, he secured the premises in which he is now located. The "Surprise" washers and wringers beat the record, and are highly recommended by the many thousands of families and laundries, hotels, etc., having them in use for 14 years, and filling the full bill of claims without one exception. His new Gating Washer (Price \$2.00) is also a marvel.

**R. HIGGINS & SON.**

**T**HE Rosedale Grocery, located at 804 Yonge street, conducted by R. Higgins & Son, is among the most complete and best stocked concerns on the street. Mr. R. Higgins was born in England and his son, Mr. F. Higgins, was born in Brooklyn, U.S., but has been a resident of this city since boyhood, and they have had many years' experience in the family grocery line. This establishment was founded ten years since and under its able management has always enjoyed a good patronage.

The store is 20 x 75 feet in dimensions and is well supplied with a choice line of goods. As a partial enumeration may be named teas, coffees, spices, pure baking powders, best flour for family use, a great variety of fresh canned goods, corn meal, fruits, vegetables, and all and singular the articles consumed in families, hotels and restaurants. This house enjoys a fine reputation, both on account of the quality of the goods handled and sold, and also for its fair dealing. Both gentlemen composing the firm are thorough business men and enjoy the confidence of the public in a high degree.

**DAVID W. KINGHORN.**

**A** REPRESENTATIVE plumber, gas and steam fitter in Toronto is Mr. David W. Kinghorn, whose store and workshop is at 97 Church street. Mr. Kinghorn has had a long and valuable experience in all branches of his trade, and since June 1883 established in business in his city. The store is 20 x 60 feet in area, and a full stock of materials is always carried, including clanders, brackets and the latest improved hot water and steam heating apparatus. Mr. Kinghorn gives special attention to sanitary plumbing and ventilation and fits up buildings and dwellings for the introduction of water, gas, steam and hot water for heating purposes. He also attends to arranging drainage and making sewer connections. Skilled hands are employed and immediate attention is given to orders for new work and making repairs. Mr. Kinghorn is a native of Scotland. He has resided in Toronto for some time and is an expert workman, prompt, reliable and responsible.

**TORONTO CARPET CLEANING CO.**

**T**HERE is no establishment in the city of Toronto that will better repay the patronage of the careful housewife than that conducted by the Toronto Carpet Cleaning Company at No. 44 Lombard street. They were established in 1891 by Messrs. A. E. Pfeiffer and J. & I. Hough, under the firm name of Pfeiffer & Hough Bros., who are all experienced men in the business. The premises utilized are of spacious dimensions, supplied with the latest perfected machinery and ample steam power, and six hands are employed. Carpets are taken up, cleaned, re-laid, made over, or stored in moth-proof rooms, while feather beds, pillows, Turkish rugs, mats, buffalo and goat skins are renovated and made equal to new. Furniture is also repaired and special rates are made to churches and charitable institutions. Estimates are furnished on large jobs and goods are called for and delivered to any part of the city free of charge. Carpet lining, stair pads, etc., are kept constantly on hand. For the convenience of customers the com-

pany have opened branch offices at 241 Broadview avenue and 562 Yonge street, where orders will receive prompt attention. The partners are all Canadians and possess the confidence of all who know them.

**H. ARNOLD.**

**A**MONG the enterprising boot and shoe dealers and manufacturers in this city we desire to call attention to Mr. H. Arnold, whose popular establishment is at 113 Church street. Mr. Arnold was born in England and has been a resident of Canada twenty-five years, and for a period of eleven years established in business in this city. He occupies a store and workshop 16 x 60 feet, and is prepared to attend to the requirements of patrons promptly and satisfactorily, and caters to the best class of customers; and besides a large local trade fills orders from all parts of the Dominion and parts of the United States. He also does a large business making military boots and shoes to order and custom shoes for the lame, and theatrical and sporting footwear, which is a specialty with him. Experienced workmen are employed and a full stock of fine boots and shoes is kept on sale, also rubbers and slippers, and Mr. Arnold is moderate in his prices. He has achieved a wide reputation and is recognized as one of the best and most reliable fine custom boot and shoe makers in Toronto.

**FAWCETT & CO.**

**T**HE fashionable tailor's art is one of the most difficult to master and requires special talents and ability. An old established and prominent house in Toronto, actively engaged in producing the finest class of male attire, is that of Messrs. Fawcett & Company at No. 234 Queen street east. Mr. Fawcett, late of the 8th Hussars, has had a valuable experience as a merchant tailor and is an accomplished cutter. A native of England, he was for many years the master tailor of the 8th K.R.I. Hussars, and later founded his present business in 1873. He follows the fashions closely and is always among the first to introduce the latest styles and fabrics. He makes a fine display of reasonable, fashionable fabrics in all the new styles of both European and American productions, from which the most fastidious and critical need find no difficulty in making a selection, while in fit and workmanship the best satisfaction is guaranteed and given. The patronage is of the very best class, which attests the public appreciation of Mr. Fawcett's skill and ability. A specialty is made of military and society uniforms, while moderation in prices is a feature of the house. Mr. Fawcett's artistic tailoring and his attention to business and the want of his customers have given him a wide reputation and his ably conducted establishment a wide degree of popularity.

**GEO. A. WATSON.**

ONE of the best practical pattern and model makers in this city is Mr. Geo. A. Watson, who lends invaluable assistance to the inventor and makes the work of the manufacturer more certain. He has been established in business since 1883 and commenced operations on Bay street. In 1890 he removed to 33 Richmond street east, and two years after to the premises now occupied at 33 Lombard street which he has fitted and equipped with special machinery and appliances and a four horse-power electric motor. Mr. Watson makes to order all kinds of patterns for brass and iron castings of all dimensions and as a maker of working experimental machinery and models for inventors as well as designing complicated machinery he has acquired an enviable reputation and is regarded as an expert in his vocation. He is prepared to execute all work in his line promptly and with that intelligent apprehension of the design as to bring his services in constant request. Mr. Watson was born in Halifax and raised in Toronto, and learned his trade at the Eagle Iron Works in Detroit, Michigan. He is doing a prosperous business and has a wide acquaintance with manufacturers, machinists and inventors.

**P. MAHER.**

A REPRESENTATIVE establishment of the livery interests of Toronto, where the finest of turnouts and liveried drivers are maintained, is that of Mr. P. Maher, located at No. 19 to 25 Bloor street east. This business was founded by Mr. Maher in 1885. The stables are spacious and well appointed. They are 100 x 200 feet and afford accommodations for a large number of animals and vehicles. A general livery and boarding business is carried on, and twenty men are employed about the premises. The horses are fine animals and good drivers, in other words, lively "steppers" behind which, with a competent driver, it is a pleasure to travel. Mr. Maher keeps a fine line of vehicles, coupes, landaus, victorias, broughams, phaetons, buggies, etc., and first-class drivers in livery, steady and sober men, are furnished when desired. All turnouts of this reputable establishment are well equipped and in the best style, and there is nothing more pleasant than a drive behind one of these fine teams. The stables are open day and night and either a single or double team can be hired at any hour at moderate prices. In addition to the livery business, horses are boarded by the day, week, month or year, and are treated with the best of care by experienced horsemen and grooms. For this service the charges are as reasonable as at any other boarding stable in the city. Mr. Maher is obliging and accommodating and enjoys a splendid patronage. His

terms are cash and all orders by telephone receive prompt attention; his telephone number being 3109, and turnouts for business, pleasure or funerals are furnished promptly. Though a native of Ireland, Mr. Maher is long a resident of Toronto, and well and favorably known. This is the only stable in the city where wagonettes are to be had for pleasure parties.

**W. H. EVANS.**

A WELL known establishment in Toronto in the book and stationery trade is that of Mr. W. H. Evans at 357½ Yonge street. For a period of eight years Mr. Evans has been engaged in this business and throughout his career has always enjoyed the entire confidence of all his many patrons. The store occupied by Mr. Evans is 20 x 60 feet in size and in its appointments complete. A stock is carried of books upon all subjects, in various bindings, also works of fiction of a standard character, magazines, periodicals, "libraries," etc., stationery of every kind, school books and school supplies and fancy goods. Mr. Evans receives orders for all the English and American publications, and magazines, etc. He is an elderly gentleman, yet smart, active and enterprising, is well read and highly educated. He is of English birth and an old, esteemed resident of Toronto.

**GIBSON & WOODLAND.**

ONE of our youngest business houses and one deserving of special mention is that of Messrs. Gibson and Woodland, wholesale fruit and commission merchants, located at 31 Church street, corner Colborne. This business was established in 1890 under the style of Aikenhead, Gibson & Co., at 46 Church street, who were succeeded in January, 1892, by the present proprietors, Messrs. A. G. Gibson and C. W. I. Woodland, the business having a few months previously been removed to the present location. The premises occupy one flat and the basement of a four-story brick building, 40 x 100 feet in dimensions. The basement is occupied by the storage and banana rooms, capable of holding from eight hundred to a thousand bunches of bananas. The firm handle immense quantities of all kinds of foreign and domestic fruits, importing lemons direct from Italy, and dates, figs, grapes and Mediterranean oranges from London and Liverpool; also handle oysters and boxed fish in season. Their trade now extends to all parts of the Dominion and the United States, which necessitates the employment of twelve clerks, two travelling salesmen and three delivery wagons. Messrs. Gibson & Woodland were born in Toronto and have the reputation of being two of Toronto's youngest, most enterprising and successful

business men, and to-day, though one of the youngest wholesale fruit houses in Toronto, they do an annual business amounting to between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

**EDWARDS & WEBSTER.**

A LEADING firm prominent in the architectural profession in this city is that of Messrs. Edwards & Webster, with offices at No. 70 Victoria street. The business was established in 1885 by Mr. R. J. Edwards, and a year after he formed a partnership with Mr. H. J. Webster. Both members of the firm have evinced marked originality and great executive ability in dealing with the difficult problems and requirements of the building enterprise. They furnished the design and superintended the construction of St. George's Hall in this city, also the Northern Hotel at Port Arthur, at a cost of \$40,000; Chautauqua Hotel at Niagara-on-the-Lake, and many others throughout Ontario and at Halifax. They have also designed many handsome private residences in Toronto, and their close adherence to specifications point them out as architects of the highest attainments. Mr. Edwards is a native of Barrie, and Mr. Webster, of England. They have both resided in Toronto for some time and are well and favorably known.

**MULLIN & MUIR.**

WE take pleasure in calling the special attention of our readers to the reliable Toronto firm of Messrs. Mullin & Muir, importers of fine paper hangings, etc., whose store is situated at 156 Yonge street. This business was established in 1877 by Messrs. Mullin & Muir, who have since secured a liberal and permanent patronage. They occupy a commodious three-story brick structure, 18 x 80 feet in area, employ twenty-five competent workmen, and promptly furnish estimates for any kind of artistic decorations, painting, frescoing, etc., at the lowest prices consistent with first-class work. Mr. Mullin, the active member of the firm, is a thoroughly practical designer and decorator, who makes use of the most beautiful imported paper hangings, papier mache, Lincrusta Walton, solid or fibrous relief, etc. A heavy and choice stock of wall papers, dados, friezes, centre pieces, mouldings and painters' supplies generally is always on hand. They have done a large amount of work in Toronto, and those desirous of decorating or painting their stores or houses would consult their own interests to call on this firm before going elsewhere. Mr. Mullin was born in Canada, and has had thirty-five years' experience in this business. He is widely known for his sterling probity and is very popular with the community.



### FARMER BROTHERS.

AMONG the most prominent and successful photographers of Canada is the old established firm of Messrs. Farmer Brothers, whose principal studio is located in Toronto at 92 Yonge street. They also have branch studios at 8 and 10 King street west, Hamilton. This extensive business was established in Toronto in 1890, and in Hamilton in 1878. The premises occupied in Yonge street comprise a superior three-story brick building 25 x 120 feet in area, the ground floor being devoted to offices, etc., and the upper floors to gallery and reception rooms. The gallery is fully equipped with the latest improved apparatus and appliances known to the profession for executing high class work in all branches of photography. Messrs. Farmer Brothers enjoy a wide reputation as artists, all the portraits executed by them showing an ease and grace in position, truth in outlines and harmony in composition. They have always been close students and still keep pace with all the improvements that are being made in the art, while they are the first photographers in Toronto to introduce all the latest advances made in the United States, Canada or Europe. Messrs. Farmer Brothers are particularly successful in fine portraiture and with groups, which they execute in a superior style and finish at very moderate prices. They also keep in stock a well selected assortment of fine mouldings, and promptly make frames to order. Mr. Farmer, the resident partner, is a native of Hamilton, Ont. He is widely known for his courteous manners and strict integrity, and is one of the most talented photographic artists in the Dominion. Special attention is given in this studio to crayon, oil, pastel and India ink work, the pictures produced being first-class in every feature as to fidelity, shading and finish.

### THE NEW-YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE record of the forty-eighth year of the New York Life Insurance Company, is that of surpassing interest when one considers its significance, which calls particular attention, first, to the long list of death claims paid, and second, to the large amounts paid to its living members, not only in matured endowments, but also dividends for policies purchased, including Tontines and annuities. The amount paid policy-holders by the New York Life in 1880 was \$4,499,891.24, in 1885 was \$7,681,873.75, in 1892 was \$13,995,012.33. Is there a company can show the like? The new business which is always a prominent feature of an enterprising company secured by this company in 1892 reached the enormous sum of \$173,605,070. They paid in death claims for 1892 \$7,896,589.29. The amount of insurance in force on the 31st day of December, 1892, was \$689,248,626. This is more than

all the assessed valuation of all the property in the State of New Jersey in 1890. It exceeds the stock of gold or silver in the United States, or the total capital invested in our national banks or the total deposits in the savings banks of the State of New York. The total income of the company for 1892 was nearly thirty-one millions. Over \$25,000,000 of this represented the premiums. The assets of the company on December 31st, 1892, were \$137,499,198.99. The total amount is equal to about \$615,000 held as security in each of the 224,008 policies in force on the company's books. Such a record speaks for itself, in language louder than any human voice. The company is represented in this city by Mr. T. G. McConkey, who is a young man of exceptionally fine business capacity and well fitted by long experience to represent the important interests of such a mammoth enterprise. The offices of the company are located in the Board of Trade Building.

### BRITISH AMERICAN DYEING COMPANY.

A CONCERN standing unrivaled in its special line in Canada, is the British American Dyeing Company, whose general offices and works are located at Montreal. This company are well styled the gold medalist dyers, as they have received the very highest award at every Exhibition where their work has been shown in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, London and Quebec. The works are located at Verdun, near Montreal, the ground owned by the company covering nearly five acres, two-fifths of which are occupied with buildings, and over one hundred hands are given steady employment. The company are prepared to dye and finish all classes of goods in silk, cotton or mixed fabrics equal to any houses in Europe, and better than any in the Dominion. The company imports its own dyes, and uses only the best, thus producing the newest and fastest colors, and perfection of work is absolutely guaranteed. They have agencies in all parts of the country. The main offices in Toronto being located at 90 King street east, with branches at 458 Queen street west, and 426½ Yonge street. The Toronto branch is in charge of Mr. George Robbins, who has been in the company's employ for some years, and is thoroughly well qualified by his long experience and personal qualifications to superintend the company's important interests here. He is an Englishman by birth.

### ELMES & CO.

AMONG the recently established and successful business enterprises in the city is that of Elmes & Co., importing tailors, located at 499 Queen street west. Although established during the present year the firm already commands a large and influential patronage from our leading and influential citizens. Mr. J. B. Elmes, the

head of the house, is a practical cutter and fitter, and for a number of years was cutter with the well known house of Ham & Co., of this city. The sale and work rooms occupied by the firm on Queen street are centrally located and tastefully fitted up, and here will always be found a choice assortment of cloths, tweeds, worsteds, woolsens, meltons, suitings and overcoatings imported direct from the English and foreign markets. With Mr. Elmes tailoring is more than a trade, it is a fine art. Special pains are always taken, even in the smallest details, and as only the most skilled workmen are employed, perfect satisfaction can always be guaranteed. Mr. Elmes displays fine taste and excellent judgment in selecting his stock, and his prices are extremely moderate. Frocks and dress suits are a leading specialty with this house, and its patronage is first-class and wide spread. Mr. Elmes is a Canadian by birth and has resided in Toronto many years. He will always be found careful and painstaking, and a pleasant gentleman with whom to have business dealings. During his connection with the firm of Ham & Company Mr. Elmes made many friends, who since his establishment in business on his own account have transferred their patronage to him.

### A. WADDELL & CO.

STANDING in the front rank of those houses dealing in and handling as brokers, food supplies, is that of A. Waddell & Company, 75 Yonge street. The firm commenced operations in this city in 1890, and are to-day among the largest dealers in cereals in Toronto, controlling a large export brokerage business, and handling largely both for home and export trade, oatmeal, pot and pearl barley, split peas, etc., and general produce. They deal largely, in the celebrated "White Cross" brand of cereals, which are now being extensively used in all parts of the Dominion. The local trade of the house covers principally every portion of Ontario, while they export largely to England, France, and Belgium. Special attention is given to cable inquiries, the cable address being "Waddell, Toronto." The members of the firm are all Canadians by birth, and are enterprising and progressive business men, thoroughly well posted in every detail of the business, both as it relates to the home and foreign markets, and they enjoy unexceptional facilities and the most influential connections both at home and abroad. The house sustains the highest reputation in business circles, and its standing in the financial world is of the soundest.

### THE DOMINION PORTRAIT CO.

ONE of the most attractive business establishments on Gerrard street is that of the Dominion Portrait Company, Mr. L. S. Gurley, proprietor, situated at No.



3 on that thoroughfare. After years of experience in copying and enlarging photographs on old pictures of every description in the States and eastern Ontario, Mr. Gurley located his present establishment west in 1891, where he has since conducted it with marled and ever increasing success, securing a large and widespread patronage all through the province of Ontario. Mr. Gurley is a gentleman of splendid artistic abilities, and most excellent good taste and judgment. He makes a special business of copying and enlarging, and reducing to miniature size photographs, portraits, etc., which are finished in crayon, pastel, India ink, water colors or oil, as may be desired, in the very highest style of the art at the very lowest prices. He also handles a general line of plain and fancy picture frames of every description, and frames pictures, portraits, engravings, etc., in a neat, handsome and attractive style, orders by mail receiving the closest attention and care. He also teaches the art of painting in colors, and the French designs, silks, plaques, panels, vases, toilet sets, etc., etc., which for home work and adornment offer special attraction for the easel. A child can do the work in artistic manner by a few lessons, as taught by Mr. Gurley. Mr. Gurley is well known in this city, and as a business man and artist has made a splendid reputation, and is doing a fine thriving business.

#### FRANCIS, FROST & CO.

THE well known house of Francis, Frost & Company, (formerly Dixon & Dixon), located at 33 Front street west, is one of the largest and most influential in their line in the city. Although the business was established several years ago, the present firm did not assume control till 1892. They are extensive importers, shippers and jobbers in turpentine, resin, pine tar, pitch, linseed oil, oxides, dry colors, etc., and also handle as agents, foundry facings and supplies. They are sole Canadian agents for the Troy Nickel Works, Troy N.Y., Alaska stove hardware; Newton & Co., Albany, N.Y., ironstone stove linings and fire brick; Glidden & Joy Varnish Co., Cleveland, Ohio, cabinet, coach and railway varnishes; Pecora Paint Company, Philadelphia, Pa., stove and furnace cements; Buffalo Foundry Supply Company, Buffalo, N.Y., foundry facings and supplies; and the Hatch Cutlery Company, South Milwaukee, shears, scissors and pocket cutlery. They make a specialty of pure southern turpentine obtained from North Carolina, U.S.A., dry colors from England, and linseed oil and oxides from Canada. Their trade now extends from Windsor to Montreal and the lower provinces, and they are prepared to fill orders of any magnitude at short notice on very reasonable terms. Mr. Francis is a Canadian by birth and for nine years was connected

with the well known house of The E. & C. Gurney Co., the last five as manager of their Hamilton, Ont. House. During his years residence here he has won the confidence and esteem of the business community, and is everywhere highly esteemed and respected. His co-worker, Mr. Frost, was also born in Canada, and is one of our most enterprising business men.

#### HARKLEY BROS.

THE plumber occupies a most important position and one of great responsibility. He has the health and even the life of his patrons depending upon his faithfulness and intelligence. One of the most reputable and skilled plumbers in Toronto is Mr. Joseph Harkley, who is sole proprietor of the business, having been established ten years. He is located at 431 Spadina avenue, where he occupies a fine store 20 x 110 feet in area, thoroughly stocked with a fine line of plumbers' supplies, also house and kitchen furniture, and Gurney's line of stoves and ranges. He is also engaged in the manufacture of tinware, and is prepared to do all kinds of general jobbing at most reasonable rates. Mr. Harkley has recently been burnt it has renewed and greatly extended his stock. He is a practical expert plumber and steam fitter, employs only experienced workmen, some eighteen in number, and has an extensive trade in all parts of the city. He numbers among his patrons many leading citizens, and for high standing and reputation of unexceptional character, there is no plumber occupying a more important place in Toronto than Mr. Harkley.

#### THE TORONTO LEAD & COLOR CO. (Limited)

A REPRESENTATIVE and successful concern in this city is that known as The Toronto Lead and Color Company, manufacturers of white lead, paints, etc., whose office and factory are located at No. 14 to 20, Pearl street. This business was established in 1884, and eventually incorporated with ample capital, Mr. Sanderson Pearcy being the president and Mr. P. J. McNally, the secretary. The premises comprise a spacious four-story building 80 x 70 feet in dimensions. Some 35 hands are employed, and the trade, which is strictly wholesale, extends throughout the entire Dominion. They manufacture largely white lead, pure prepared paints, colors in oil, dry colors, varnishes, etc., and also import all kinds of painters' supplies. The company's goods are unrivalled for quality and purity, and have no superiors in Canada, and orders are filled at the lowest possible prices. Mr. Pearcy is a native of Toronto, while Mr. McNally was born in Montreal. They are honorable and liberal business men, whose success in this important industry is well merited.

#### E. W. GILLETT.

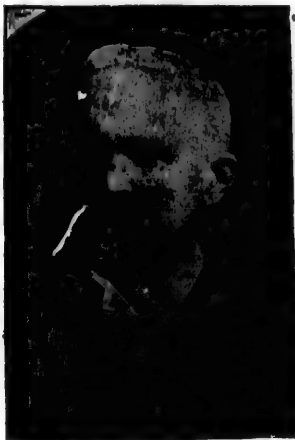
THE leading house in Toronto, actively engaged in the manufacture of baking powder, yeast cakes, etc., is that of E. W. Gillett, whose salesrooms and factory are situated at 32 and 34 Front street west. This is the Toronto branch of the famous Chicago house of the same name, which was established in 1832. The Toronto branch was opened in 1886, and is under the energetic and able management of Mr. Wm. Dobie, who is widely and favorably known. Mr. Gillett manufactures extensively Royal Yeast cakes, the best yeast in the world,



Imperial Cream Tartar Baking Powder, the purest, strongest and best in the country, Gillett's Powdered Lye for making soap, etc., and Gillett's Washing Crystal for saving time and labor. Mr. Gillett's yeast cakes and baking powder have stood the severest tests, and are pronounced by competent chemists and experts as the best goods of the kind in existence. The trade of this branch extends throughout the entire Dominion, also to Great Britain, Australia and South Africa. Fifty hands are employed, and there are also eight traveling salesmen on the road. Last year the sales of this Canadian house were over \$150,000, and the stock always carried is valued at \$40,000.

**ST. LEGER.**

**A**N old established and steadily growing enterprise in this city, which to-day stands as a representative establishment, is the widely known St. Leger, located at 482 and 484 Queen street west, of which Mr. George I. St. Leger is the popular proprietor and manager, established about twenty-two years ago. Recent alterations and enlargement of facilities have had to be made to accommodate the rapidly growing patronage, and the store now occupies the fine three story brick building, the property of Mr. St. Leger, 50 x 150 feet in dimensions,



heavily stocked with a fine assortment of boots and shoes, trunks, valises, lunch bags, bicycles, tricycles, toys, clothing and gent's furnishings, carefully selected to meet the wants of a select and influential patronage. The stock of footwear is one of the finest in the city, and embraces everything in the line of boots, shoes, and slippers in medium and fine grades for ladies, gentlemen, misses and children. Mr. St. Leger was born in Belfast, Ireland, and came to Toronto twenty-one years ago, and here he has built up his present magnificent business. He was Mayor of Toronto Junction, and has been three years alderman in St. Patrick's Ward.

**W. H. JAGGER.**

**I**N the industries of the present day, the Manufacturers' Agent occupies a very prominent position. A prominent and one of the most responsible agents in the city of Toronto is Mr. W. H. Jagger, whose office and sales-rooms are situated at 131 Bay street. This business was established in 1870 by Mr. W. H. Jagger, whose trade now extends throughout all sections of the United States and Canada. Mr. Jagger is sole agent in Canada, and the United States, for Goodlass, Wall & Co., Liverpool, England, celebrated Paris Green, Colors, Varnishes etc. T. R. B. Bindley & Son, Smethwick, England, Glues, Gelatine, etc., Jas. Baldwin & Sons, Birmingham, England, Gun Wads, (Original Patentees), Reeves & Sons, London, England, Artists' Supplies of all kinds. Albert Jagger, Walsall, England, Carriage Lamps, Coach and Saddlers' Supplies. Hamilton & Co., London, England, High Class Paint Brushes, and Painters' Supplies. Conrad Wm. Schmidt, successor F. A. Glaeser, Varnish and Japan Manufacturer, London, England. Heywood Paper Staining Co., Broadfield Station, Manchester. A heavy stock of goods is always on hand, which are offered at the lowest possible prices. Mr. Jagger was born in Birmingham, England, but has resided in Toronto for the last 35 years. He is widely known for his integrity and promptness, and enjoys the unbounded confidence of all having dealings with him.

**FRED. & WALTER ADAMS.**

**O**NE of the most popular and reliable wholesale and retail firms of butchers in this section of Toronto is that of Messrs. Fred. & Walter Adams, whose stall is situated at 28 St. Lawrence Market. This business was established in 1886 by the present proprietors, who deal in all kinds of fresh and salt meats, beef, mutton, lamb, veal, pork and poultry. They slaughter twenty-five head of cattle weekly, and only handle the choicest and best stock. Messrs. F. & W. Adams make a specialty of supplying hotels and restaurants with first-class meat and poultry at wholesale prices; and all goods are promptly delivered to any part of Toronto or its suburbs. The stall is carefully attended to, and fully stocked with the choicest meats, which are always sold at the lowest market prices. Orders are immediately filled, and entire satisfaction is guaranteed customers. Messrs. Fred. & Walter Adams were born in London, England, but have resided in Toronto since 1883. They are honorable and energetic business men, and we cheerfully commend this firm to our readers, as one that will give universal satisfaction. The telephone call of the firm is 3393.

**W. E. DOBSON.**

**T**HE difficulty of obtaining a really fine cigar has passed into a proverb among the lovers of the weed. Some manufacturers there are, however, who handle only reliable stock, producing none but first class goods, and prominent among these is Mr. W. E. Dobson, whose Champion Cigar Factory is situated at 21 Jarvis street. This business has established over 25 years ago by Mr. Dobson, on Yonge street, then removed to King street, subsequently removed to Church then to King, and eventually in 1893 to his present premises, 21 Jarvis street.



He occupies a spacious three story building, 25 x 100 feet in area, which is utilized for factory purposes and ware-rooms. He manufactures largely high class cigars, and deals in Havana, Sumatra, and American Raw Leaf Tobaccos. His special brands are known as the Celebrated General Middleton, Our Brave Boys, and others. All Mr. Dobson's Cigars are made from choice selected stock, no poor tobacco being used, and challenge comparison with any other similar goods in the country. Forty skilled cigar makers are employed, three traveling salesmen are on the road, and the trade of this house extends throughout the entire Dominion. Mr. Dobson was born in Toronto.

## THOMAS CONLAN.

AMONG the expert painters and decorators in this city, special mention should be made of Mr. Thomas Conlan, located at 680 and 682 Yonge street, who has had many years experience in the business, and first opened his doors to the public twenty-two years ago, at 622 Yonge street, where he remained eleven years, whence a removal was made to more desirable quarters at his present location. He carries a large stock of goods, embracing paints, oils, glass, brushes, painters' supplies, artists' materials, glass putty, white lead, turpentine, varnishes, japans, etc., also picture and room mouldings, and materials generally in this line, and a full line of wall-papers, dados, friezes, and handsome centre pieces in all the new designs. He undertakes all kinds of interior decorations and house and sign painting, and the demands of the business find employment for from twenty-five to thirty hands. Wall papers and decorations are a specialty, and the assortment ranks as high in the estimation of art critics as any goods in the country, and patrons of this house can rest assured that any and all representations that are made will be strictly carried out. Mr. Conlan is a native of Ireland, now a resident of this city nearly a quarter of a century, and has a wide reputation as an expert painter, paper hanger and decorator. Telephone call 3630.

## DAVID MORTON &amp; SONS.

ONE of the most reliable firms in the Dominion of Canada engaged in the manufacture of laundry and toilet soaps is that of Messrs. David Morton and Sons, whose principal office and factory are situated at Hamilton, Ont. The Toronto branch is located at 50 Wellington street east. This extensive business was established in 1859, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, and the North West. Messrs. David Morton & Sons are sole manufacturers of the celebrated Victor and N. P. Soaps, and fine milled toilet soaps. Their laundry soaps remove all dirt and grease from clothes without any injury to the garments, and are the best laundry soaps yet offered to the public. Their fine milled toilet soaps are unrivalled for purity, and are well fitted for a first-class drug and grocery trade. Some sixty hands are employed, and they likewise have agencies in Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, Winnipeg, and Victoria, B.C., and have a number of traveling salesmen on the road. Messrs. D. Morton & Sons are widely known for their enterprise and justly merit the substantial success secured in this important industry.

## F. HARRINGTON.

A WELL known house in Toronto is that of Mr. F. Harrington, dealer in stationery, fancy goods, cigars, tobaccos, etc., and manufacturer of picture frames to order, at Nos. 272 and 274 Queen street east. This house has been in operation for more than twelve years. Mr. Harrington is a Canadian by birth, and having a wide range of experience in this branch of trade, he founded this business on his own account in 1881. The premises occupied are 30x60 feet in dimensions. The stock carried embraces everything in the line of fine, and medium grades of stationery goods, fine counting room and school papers, cardboards, twines, envelopes, inks, pens, pencils, school and office supplies, pads, blank books, pictures and picture frames, and other fancy goods. He gives special attention to picture framing to order, and is the recipient of a large patronage. The house is also popular headquarters for all the finest brands of imported and domestic cigars, chewing and smoking tobaccos, pipes, and all smokers' articles. "Harrington's Own" is a brand of cigars handled exclusively here. Mr. Harrington is a gentleman of enviable reputation, and of great energy and enterprise.

## STANTON &amp; McCRAE.

ONE of the most reliable firms in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs. Stanton & McCrae, wholesale and importing stationers, printers, blank book manufacturers and lithographers, whose office and salesrooms are situated at 45 Scott street, corner of Colborne street. This business was established in 1888 by Messrs. O. B. Stanton and A. J. McCrae, who possess perfect facilities for the prompt execution of all descriptions of job and mercantile work, engraving, lithography, etc. They make a specialty of the manufacture of blank books, ledgers, journals, etc., and have done a large amount of first-class work in this line for banks, insurance companies, corporations, and leading firms in Toronto and elsewhere. Messrs. Stanton & McCrae have always a full stock of the finest stationery on hand, including pens, ink, bill and letter heads, paper of all kinds, envelopes, foolscap, files, letter copying books, etc., are agents for Swiss, Eclipse, Russia and Ball pointed pens, and the New York Typewriter Supply Co.'s ribbons, carb paper, etc., and the trade of the firm extends throughout Canada. Messrs. Stanton & McCrae are widely known for their ability and strict integrity, and those intrusting orders in their line to them will secure the greatest satisfaction in the thorough manner in which all work will be accomplished. The telephone call of the office is 1187.

## MODEL STEAM LAUNDRY.

THE time is yet within the memory of middle-aged persons when the work of washing and ironing formed an important and not altogether pleasant feature of the regular weekly work of every household. But in this, as in most other lines, we have changed our methods, and to-day public laundries have come to the relief of the weary and over-burdened house-wife. A noted Toronto laundry, than which no other enjoys a more enviable reputation, is the Model Steam Laundry, of which Mr. W. McWatters is the proprietor, located at No. 73 Queen street east. This reliable concern was founded by its present proprietor in 1888, and from the start received a large and influential patronage. The premises are thoroughly equipped with all the latest improved machinery. Steady employment is given to a competent force of help, and all work is executed in a prompt and superior manner, and without injury to garments. Goods are called for and delivered, and the annoyances caused by having articles changed for those of others carefully guarded against. Mr. McWatters is a native of Belfast, Ireland. He is a courteous and energetic gentleman, prompt and reliable, and well deserving of the success he has won.

## THE ENO STEAM GENERATOR CO. OF CANADA, LTD.

A CONCERN deserving of special mention in a comprehensive review of the industries of Toronto is The Eno Steam Generator Co. of Canada (Limited), whose office and factory are located at 35 Richmond street west. The business was established in 1880, in Newark, N. J., under the present style, and in 1889 an independent stock company was organized as the Eno Steam Generator Co. Ltd. of Canada, to carry on the business in Canada. The company are manufacturers of steam generators of all descriptions, and are the largest concern of its kind in Canada. They execute a large amount of contract work in the city, employing regularly from twelve to fifteen mechanics, and have also filled large contracts in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and their trade extends over the entire Dominion. The company guarantee their generators to make a saving of fifteen per cent in fuel with a twenty per cent increase in capacity, leaving no scale or sediment. The capital stock of the company is \$100,000, \$50,000 of which has been paid in. The officers of the company are Alexander Stewart, president; Benj. Westwood, Samuel Corrigan, and W.A. Wilkes, vice-presidents. John M. Clements, mechanical superintendent; and Sturgeon Stewart, managing director and secretary and treasurer.

### THE CARSWELL CO. (LTD).

THE only house in the Dominion devoting itself exclusively to the importing and publishing of law books, is that of The Carswell Company (LTD). The business was established in 1872 by Mr. Robert Carswell and in 1878 the firm style became Carswell & Co. In 1891 an incorporation was effected under the laws of the Dominion. Robert Carswell, Arthur Poole, and Charles Brown being the incorporators. The officers of the company are Robert Carswell, president and general manager; Arthur Poole, vice-president; and Charles Brown, secretary-treasurer. The company now own and operate one of the finest equipped plants devoted to the publication of law books. The company are direct importers of law books from every part of the world, and, as has truthfully been said, that in entering their store and viewing the large number of shelves of law books one is reminded of one of the great law libraries in London. In their printing and binding departments the company employ about one hundred hands. The company now controls a large trade, reaching to every part of Canada, the United States, and to a limited extent in Great Britain, West Indies, etc. Messrs. Poole and Brown are natives of England, while Mr. Carswell is a Canadian by birth. The value of an extensive commercial enterprise of this character cannot be overestimated, concluding as it does largely to the material prosperity and fame of our city.

### Geo. D. Dawson & Co.

THE firm of Geo. D. Dawson & Co., Wine and Spirit Merchants, 18 Leader Lane, is one of the oldest and most popular wine houses in the city. The business was established twenty-three years ago, and is associated with the well known firms of Dawson & Parkhurst, Ottawa, and Charles E. Dawson, Montreal, all the goods sold by these houses bearing the trade mark "Bodega Wine Co." The premises are 23 x 97 feet in dimensions, and in the basement are large wine vaults containing the largest stock of costly imported wines and champagnes in the city. The firm are the only correspondents for the Spanish house of Garvey & Co., the oldest and largest shippers of sherry in the world. They are large importers of ports, clarets, champagne, brandy, the leading brands of Irish and Scotch whiskies, and are the only importers in this city of the world famed Napier Johnston's old Highland whiskey. The house are also the leading importers in Toronto of the very choicest brands of imported Havana cigars. To every one who is familiar with the history of this city, it goes without saying that the house of Geo. D. Dawson and Co. is the exclusive headquarters for the choicest brands of imported wines, liquors and cigars. The name of the "Bodega Wine Co.," as well as its

proprietor, Colonel Dawson, are known throughout the land. Col. Geo. Dawson was born in Ireland, and in 1861 entered the English navy as a commissioned officer, and one year later was detailed to service in Montreal as a Lieutenant in the 47th Regiment, and in 1865 was again transferred to Toronto. In 1867 he retired from the service, and in 1880 joined the Dominion Militia, and was commissioned Major of the 10th Battalion Royal Grenadiers, and in 1888 was appointed Commander.

### THE CANADA JUTE COMPANY, Ltd.

A COMPARATIVELY recent and important addition to the growing trade facilities of Toronto was the incorporation of The Canada Jute Company, (Limited), five years ago in this city, although the company had been incorporated in Montreal seven years previous. They occupy premises at 48 & 50 Wellington street east, consisting of two floors 40 x 100 feet in dimensions, at all times heavily stocked with the products handled by the company. They are large manufacturers of bags of every description and extensive importers of twines, hessians, paddings, buckrums, etc., competing with rival concerns both as to quality and price. They make a specialty of bag printing in all colors, operating for this purpose a large printing establishment, fully equipped with the latest improved processes, and all the newest styles of type. The Toronto agent of the company is Mr. Frank F. Barr, who since he assumed the management of its interests in this city has rapidly increased the volume of its business, and improved its facilities, and always carries a large stock. The company now control a large and influential patronage throughout the Dominion from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast. Mr. Barr is one of our ablest and most enterprising business men, under whose efficient guidance the interests of the company are rapidly being extended.

### THOS. MEREDITH & CO.

AMONG the leading business establishments of Toronto is that of Thomas Meredith & Co., Importers of and dealers in hardware, etc., located at No. 136 King street, east, their telephone number being 662. Their business was established ten years ago. They occupy a three-flat building 30 x 250 feet in dimensions, and carry one of the largest stocks of goods in their line in Toronto, embracing everything in the line of hardware, and supplies for the builder, carpenter, cabinet-maker, blacksmith, workman and machinists' tools, in a word every accessory of a first-class establishment. This old reliable house also embraces in its stock paints, oils, glass and putty, barbers' tools, binder twine, and innumerable articles of every description belonging to the trade. The house imports goods direct in large quantities, from England, France,

Germany, and the United States, and handles the best products of the shops, mills and factories. Messrs. Meredith & Co. have established a large and extensive trade not only in this city but throughout Ontario, and do both a wholesale and a retail business. Mr. Thomas Meredith, the active partner of the firm has had an experience in the business a period of twenty-five years, and is possessed of fine business attainments. He was born in Canada, a resident of Toronto a long time and enjoys the highest esteem of business men and the public. Mr. Arthur Meredith, the co-partner, is an old, experienced office man and takes charge of the office affairs.

### F. W. MICKLETHWAITE.

TORONTO has photographers who will compare with those in any city in the world, and among them none rank higher in the esteem of the general public than the subject of this sketch, Mr. F. W. Micklethwaite, whose popular studio is at the W. W. corner of King and Jarvis streets. This gentleman is a native of England, and has been a resident of Toronto since 1873. He was at first located at No. 20 Queen street west, but in 1880 removed to his present address. A man of progressive ideas, thoroughly in love with his art, Mr. Micklethwaite has assisted materially in its development, and has constantly adopted the latest devices for producing superior work. As a result he has gained the reputation of making the finest Crayon Portraits, etc., and his bromide enlargements have three times within the past three years, been awarded the first prize at the Toronto Industrial Exposition. Mr. Micklethwaite executes all kinds of photography, and makes prominent specialties of landscape and architectural photographs, crayon portraits, enlargements, and commercial photography, also stamp and watch photos.

### J. REED.

THE question of food supplies is one of the first with which the human family have to grapple, and viewing the competition it will be conceded that the well-appointed grocery furnishes the largest share toward the solution of the problem of feeding the masses. In this connection we desire to make special reference to the popular establishment of Mr. J. Reed, the widely known "Cash Grocer," which is located at No. 732 Queen street east. Mr. Reed established this business in 1889, and has, throughout the four years since intervening, been the recipient of a large permanent family patronage. An excellent stock of fine fancy and staple groceries, teas, coffees, sugars, syrups, canned goods, tinned delicacies, the best dairy products, butter, cheese, fresh eggs, also bakers' and laundry supplies, and all grocers sundries is

carried. A specialty being made of sugar-cured hams, breakfast bacon, fruits, fish, vegetables, and other provisions and farm produce. The lowest prices prevail. Polite assistants serve customers promptly, and orders are called for, and delivered to any part of the city free of charge. In a word, Mr. Reed spares no effort to please and satisfy each and every one of his numerous patrons.

### T. W. KAY.

**UNQUESTIONABLY** the most popular undertaker in Toronto is Mr. T. W. Kay, a gentleman who has had an extended experience in the business, and is thoroughly familiar with its every phase and feature. He is also a practical embalmer, and the only Church of England undertaker in the city. Mr. Kay has been established a



period of 13 years, and is located at 441 Queen street west. A first-class stock of everything comprehended in funeral requisites is always on hand, including the latest and most artistic designs in plain and cloth covered and silver mounted daskets and coffins. He personally attends to all the details of embalming, and is the only undertaker in the city employing a lady embalmer for ladies and children. Remains are taken charge of at any hour and prepared for burial, the telephone call being 1423, and carriages are furnished bereaved families and friends. Mr. Kay was born and raised in Canada, and is highly esteemed throughout this community. He has a branch undertaking establishment at No. 1265 Queen street west, Parkdale. He has been in business 15 years, and opened the first undertaking establishment in Parkdale eleven years ago.

### ALEX. M. WESTWOOD.

**AN** important business enterprise in this city is that of Mr. A. M. Westwood, the popular florist. Mr. Westwood is a native of Canada and has had a long experience in growing flowers and plants, and embarked in business on his own account in 1890. He is located at 438 Spadina avenue, where he has a neatly fitted up office, provided with telephone service 1654, and a number of green houses equipped for all purposes of the business, kept an even temperature all the year round by a boiler and hot water heating apparatus made by Gurney. All kinds of flowers are grown, a specialty being made of roses, and he has one of the finest assortment of flowering plants to be

found in the Dominion. Cut flowers, emblems, wreaths, etc., are supplied at short notice, and floral decorations of all kinds, and among his permanent customers are many of the leading families in the city. He is a gentleman of most excellent taste and judgment, and as a floriculturist is widely known.

### TURTLE HALL HOTEL.

**AMONG** the many hostilities in Toronto it is safe to say that none are more popular than the well known Turtle Hall Hotel, Mr. Wm. Clow, proprietor, located on Colborne street, numbered 56 to 60. The house has been open five years, and under Mr. Clow's management acquired a wide celebrity. It is conducted on the European plan, has recently been thoroughly renovated, decorated and refurnished throughout, and the twenty-three sleeping rooms are complete in all appointments. A feature of this popular hotel is the restaurant and café with a seating capacity for eighty persons, and on the bill of fare daily is to be found a long list of the substantial and delicacies, including game, fish, oysters, green turtle, and everything in season. Mr. Clow is a most excellent caterer and spares neither time nor trouble in providing everything of the best. The sample rooms are tastefully fitted up, and only the very choicest foreign and domestic wines, liquors, ales, stout, porters and cigars are dispensed. Mr. Clow's hotel and restaurant has the reputation of being one of the leading and prominent establishments in Toronto.

### H. P. WALLER.

**MR. H. P. WALLER**, family butcher, and dealer in meat supplies, has had a long experience in the business both in England his native country, and Toronto. He takes just pride in the fact that while yet a citizen of Kensington, London, he had the pleasing experience of having been with Mr. A. Slater, who was purveyor to Her Majesty the Queen. Here he had an experience of sixteen years, leaving England and coming to Toronto, Mr. Waller embarked in the same line of business here nine years ago. His present location is at No. 481 1/2 Yonge street, where he has a large store, and handles everything in choice meats, beef, sugar cured hams, the best of bacon, lard, etc., and private families, restaurants and hotels are supplied at reasonable rates. He cures his own bacon, hams etc., and therefore knows well the quality of this line of goods. Sausages and sausage meats are also made for private families from best meats and at liberal rates. His terms are cash, and orders are promptly filled and delivered. Mr. Waller is an active, industrious man, and has succeeded from having conducted business with system, and sound judgment.

### CYCLORAMA.

#### JERUSALEM ON THE DAY OF THE CRUCIFIXION.

**TORONTO** has many places of interest, but none of such absorbing interest as the famous Cyclorama, Jerusalem on the day of the Crucifixion, located at the corner of Front and York streets. The building itself is octagonal in shape and about 400 feet in circumference. This magnificent work of art was painted by a number of prominent artists, each artist executing that particular feature of the painting for which he was famous, the

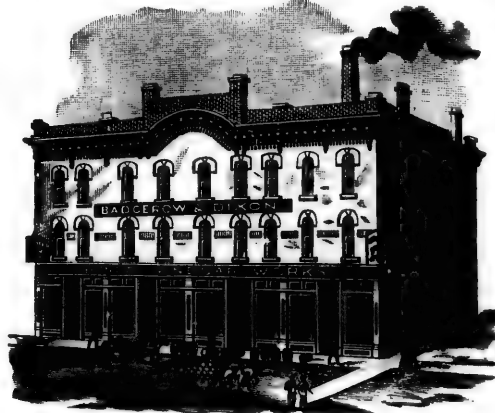


result is that here is depicted on canvas that most important event in the history of the world, in a most vivid and life-like manner. The figures stand out in bold relief, and seem to be the living, moving beings who are actually performing their separate parts in that greatest drama the world ever beheld, and one gazing on this masterpiece of human skill and art is quickly carried from the scenes of the busy nineteenth century, back eighteen hundred years. The building and painting is the property of the Toronto Art Exhibit Co. Limited, whose office is in room 7, York Chambers, 9 Toronto street. The company is capitalized at \$40,000, there being 4,000 shares, every one of which has already been subscribed for. The officers of the company are, F. J. Dunbar, president; Henry H. Albright, Vice-President; and Horton Walker, secretary and treasurer. The admission fee is twenty-five cents, and the hours for viewing this celebrated painting are from a.m. to 10 p.m. In conclusion we would say to all who have not seen this masterpiece of art, don't fail to see it.



**BADGEROW & DIXON.**

A BUSINESS of importance in Toronto as well as the largest in the Dominion in its special line, is that conducted by Badgerow & Dixon, proprietors of the Bonded Vinegar Works, 79 and 81 Jarvis street. This enterprise was founded many years ago, and for a long period was known as the Malting Vinegar Works, later it was purchased by the firm of Badgerow & Falconer, and



In 1890 the present firm name was adopted, Mr. Falconer being succeeded by Mr. Dixon. The works on Jarvis street are the largest and most perfectly equipped in Canada. The building is a three-story brick structure, 85 x 90 feet in dimensions, containing large tanks of 480 gallons capacity each, operated by an electric motor. An ample force of hands are employed, and the trade of the house extends throughout all portions of Canada. The special brands of choice vinegars manufactured are French Bordeaux, Triple Pickling, Extra Pickling, XXX, Extra XX, X, also Cider Vinegar, Honey Vinegar, Fruit Vinegar, Toilet Vinegar, Tarrozan, English Malt, Bottled Malt and Methylated Spirits. These vinegars have gained a wide reputation, and for purity and high standard and excellence stand without a rival in the Canadian market.

**J. C. SCOTT.**

TORONTO has rapidly grown to be a great centre of practical and material industries, and there is no branch of trade of greater importance than the lumber interests. The plant owned and operated by J. C. Scott, known as the Don Planing Mills, located at 92-106 River street, is one of the largest and most important in Canada.

Mr. Scott established his present enterprise some five years ago, having for eight years previous operated as one of the largest contractors and builders in Toronto. His office, yard and mill, cover a large area of territory, the planing mill and factory occupying a building 108 x 100 ft. in dimensions. Mr. Scott is a very extensive dealer in pine and hardwood lumber, handling annually one and a half million feet. While special attention is devoted to every class of machine work, including the manufacture of flooring, dressed lumber, mouldings and turned work, doors, sash, and blinds, an important feature being hardwood trimming, veneered doors and kiln dried lumber, and upwards of fifty hands are regularly employed. As a contractor and builder Mr. Scott has had many years experience, and his wide range of knowledge enable him to offer unexceptional inducements as to terms and prices. He obtains his stock of rough pine and hardwood lumber from the forests of the north and from the United States. Mr. Scott has been a resident of Canada for many years, and by hard work, push, and enterprise has brought his business to its present state of prosperity and influence. The telephone call of the house is 174.

**THE TORONTO SAVINGS & LOAN CO.**

ONE of the strongest and most ably managed financial institutions in the Queen City of Canada is the Toronto Savings & Loan Company, whose offices are located at 10 King street west. This company was incorporated in 1884 with an authorized capital of \$2,000,000, of which \$500,000 have been fully paid up, and it also has a Reserve Fund of \$80,000. The Toronto Savings & Loan Company transact the general business of a Loan Corporation, lends money on the security of real estate, debentures, bank and loan company stocks; purchases Municipal and Government debentures; and invests as agents for private capitalists and for other corporations, guaranteeing to them the prompt payment

of both interest and principal when due. In the company's savings department interest is allowed at 4 per cent. from the day of deposit to the day of withdrawal and placed to the depositor's credit on the last days of June and December each year. Debentures are issued by the company at 4½ per cent, for three or five years in amounts of \$100 or any multiple of \$100, with interest payable half yearly. The following gentlemen are the directors: Robt. Jaffray, Esq., president; Geo. A. Cox, Esq., vice-president; J. R. Dundas, Esq., M.P.; Rev. John Potts, D.D.; Fred. G. Cox, Esq.; A. E. Ames, manager. These gentlemen are well known in financial circles as men of the highest standing. Mr. A. E. Ames, the manager, is an able financier as widely known for his talents as for the loyalty with which he attends to the interests of stock and debenture holders and depositors. The bankers of the Company are the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the Imperial Bank of Canada.

**J. H. TRIMBLE.**

THE business of manufacturing clothing is well represented in Toronto by Mr. J. H. Trimble, who occupies the 2nd flat, rooms 15 and 17, 36 x 45 feet in area, of the Richmond Chambers, 114 Richmond street, west. The premises are well equipped with improved cutting and sewing machines operated by electric power, and the services of fifty skilled hands are brought into requisition. Mr. Trimble manufactures for the wholesale jobbing and retail trade, coats, business suits, overcoats, etc., and turns out on an average fifty fine coats daily. Only the very best materials are used, and the goods manufactured are superior in every respect, perfect in fit, style, workmanship, and finish. The trade comes from the wholesale houses in the city principally and many large orders are filled from the cities and towns throughout the Province. Mr. Trimble is a young man of energy and enterprise, a practical cutter and first-class tailor, and to-day stands at the head of the largest house of its kind in Toronto. He was born in Orangeville, Ont., came to this city in 1884, and as a business man always sustained a high reputation.

**IMPERIAL LOAN AND INVESTMENT CO. LIMITED.**

THE rapid growth of Manitoba and the North-West in population, wealth and improvements of all kinds, would have been greatly retarded without the free borrowing of British and Canadian capital by the sturdy farmers and stock raisers who have turned the bleak



prairies into waving wheat fields, and productive cattle ranges. In this connection, special reference is made to the reliable and successful Imperial Loan & Investment Company, whose offices are located at 32 and 34 Adelaide street east, Imperial Chambers. This company was incorporated in 1869 with an authorized capital of \$1,000,000, of which \$664,000 has been paid up. Its reserved funds now amount to \$161,500, and the value of the Freehold Estate mortgaged to the company aggregate \$5,500,000. Loans are made by this company only to the extent of about one third the value of the farm, and the mortgages are so drawn, as in every case to fully protect the mortgagee. The following gentlemen, widely known in financial, business and political circles for their prudence and executive ability, are the directors, viz.: James Thorburn, M.D., president, Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, vice-president; Ald. Daniel Lamb, E. H. Kertland, D. R. Wilkie, Richard Shaw Wood, Chas. C. Dalton. Mr. E. H. Kertland, the General Manager, is noted for his untiring energy and judicious care, and he scrupulously protects the interests of the company and its shareholders.

#### W. A. ASHELFORD.

IN referring to the livery, sale and boarding stables in this city, there are none more thoroughly equipped, or affords such excellent service as that of Mr. W. A. Ashelford, located at 726 and 728 Queen street, (Merner's old stand). The business has been under the control of Mr. Ashelford the past two years. The premises are well ventilated, drained and lighted, and the sanitary condition perfect. The office is connected in all parts of the city by telephone, call 1525, and orders receive immediate attention. Mr. Ashelford owns a number of fine stylish horses and fashionable carriages, and pays particular attention to balls, parties and theatres, etc., and makes a specialty of light livery rigs. Horses are boarded by the day, week or month at very reasonable rates, and given the best of care by competent grooms. Road, driving and work horses are also bought and sold by Mr. Ashelford, and all having dealings with him are assured that all transactions will be of an entirely satisfactory character. He has had quite an extended experience in this business, was born in England and has resided in Toronto two years.

#### AGRICULTURAL INSURANCE CO.

THE Agricultural Insurance Co., of Watertown, N. Y., was organized, incorporated and commenced business forty years ago, and from its inception the business of the company has had a substantial and rapid growth. The following statement shows the phenomenal growth

of the business since 1863, at which time the assets were \$95,572.00, in 1873 \$716,450.00, 1883 \$1,491,624.00, and in 1893 \$2,282,221.00. The cash capital of the company is \$500,000, and the net surplus \$365,796.27. The charter of the Agricultural Insurance Co. has been of late amended so that it now does a general business; it never fails to pay an honest claim; it insures against fire and lightning, and it is safe to say that no other fire insurance company in the world holds so much money in trust for the protection of policy holders. The company has been represented in Canada for a period of 25 years. Mr. J. Flynn, is the chief agent, and occupies offices in the Freehold Loan building, corner Victoria and Adelaide streets. He is a native of Canada, and has been connected with the company many years, and has earned the respect and esteem of all having dealings with him. George N. Maurer, born in Michigan, connected with the company several years, in this city a short time, has entire control of management during the illness of Mr. Flynn.

#### JOHN B. THOMPSON.

ONE of the oldest established mercantile houses in this city is that of Mr. John B. Thompson, dealer in boots, shoes, trunks, valises, etc., at number 142 King street east, opposite the market. This is a veritable landmark in the history of Toronto, and was in active operation when this now grand and beautiful city was nothing but "Muddy Little York." It was founded in 1834 by Mr. Thomas Thompson, in premises located on the site where now stands the mammoth establishment of J. R. Walker & Sons. In 1860 the founder was succeeded by his son, the present proprietor, and the business was removed to the present address. Throughout these sixty years this house has been ably maintained in the foremost rank, and its trade, which is both wholesale and retail, to-day covers every section of Ontario. Mr. Thompson owns the building in which his store is, the latter being 30 x 125 feet in dimensions. It is handsomely appointed with all modern improvements, and the display of fine goods and staples is one of the finest seen in the city. An immense stock is carried which embraces full lines of boots, shoes, slippers, etc., of all grades, styles, shapes and sizes, also trunks, valises, satchels, traveling bags, and other leather goods. Mr. Sydenham Thompson, manager, is a widely known and reliable business man, and one of Toronto's most highly esteemed young merchants.

#### FIRSTBROOK BROS.

A REVIEW of the commercial and manufacturing interests of Toronto would be manifestly incomplete without special mention of the old-established house of

Messrs. Firstbrook Bros., manufacturers of packing boxes, etc., whose office is located at 301 King street east. This extensive industry was founded in 1867, by Mr. Wm. Firstbrook, who conducted it till 1876, when he was succeeded by his sons under the firm name of Messrs. Firstbrook Bros. They occupy a spacious three-story main building, 112 x 90 feet in dimensions, with a three-story warehouse on Front street, 30 x 60 feet in area, and manufactures largely dovetail and packing boxes, telegraph and telephone top-pins, side blocks and cross arms, while they also carefully attend to wood printing, and 120 skilled hands are constantly employed. Only carefully selected lumber is utilized, and the boxes, etc., produced are unsurpassed for finish, workmanship and uniform excellence. Orders are filled at the lowest prices. The trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Several traveling salesmen are employed, and the telephone call of the office is 397. Messrs. Firstbrook were born in Erin, Wellington County. They are widely known for their enterprise, and strict integrity and their high character is a sufficient assurance, that all orders will receive faithful attention.

#### THE ONTARIO WATER METER CO. LTD.

ONE of the many special manufacturing enterprises which have given the Queen City such a wide reputation as a leading industrial centre, is the Ontario Water Meter Co. Limited. Manufacturers of water meters, meter supports, dial extensions, fixture locks, water cart registers, strainers, coupling seals, and reservoir indicators, at No. 23 Toronto street, which was inaugurated here in 1893. This company bought from the Hersey Manufacturing Company of Boston Mass, the sole right of manufacture and sale for the Dominion of Canada. The water meter they manufacture and use has been subject for several years past to thorough investigation, and very critical tests from the leading experts in Canada, and these have demonstrated beyond a doubt its reliability and permanency as a measuring instrument, and the high standing it has attained in the face of six years of sharp competition is, we believe, ample proof of its meritorious qualities. These meters are in use in almost every water works department throughout the Dominion of Canada, British Columbia, and the Maritime Provinces, and is now in large demand and supplied at reasonable prices. The officers of the company are Mr. C. H. Hersey, president, Boston, Mass; Mr. F. C. Hersey vice-president; Jas. A. Tilden, director; H. D. Winton and A. C. Winton, secretary and treasurer. All are well and favourably known, and form a firm of commanding ability, wide popularity, and solid worth.

**J. A. CARVETH & CO.**

**A**MONG the most successful and prosperous of the enterprising business houses of Toronto is that of Messrs. J. A. Carveth & Co., publishers and importers of medical, veterinary, pharmaceutical and scientific books. This house was founded ten years ago, and from the commencement a large and substantial patronage has rewarded the well and ably directed efforts of the firm. The premises utilized for the purposes are admirably arranged and perfectly appointed, and the stock carried full and complete in all departments. Besides their own publications, Messrs. Carveth & Co. control the Canadian agencies of a number of the leading English and American medical publishers, and can supply any work at shortest notice. The assortment of stationery displayed is large and varied, embracing everything comprehended under that heading. The firm make a specialty of Stephens' inks, mucilage, etc., which have the reputation of being the best in the world. Their trade is large and widespread and of the most substantial character, and is steadily growing and increasing. Mr. Carveth, the head of the firm, was born and raised in Canada. He is an active, progressive young business man and popular in the best commercial and social circles, with a thorough knowledge of the book trade. The location of this popular house is within a block of Toronto Medical College, Trinity Medical College, Women's Medical College, and Toronto General Hospital, at 413 Parliament street.

**D. WILLIAMS & SON.**

**I**N the manufacture of table delicacies, jams, jellies, etc., a widely known firm in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. D. Williams & Son, whose factory and salesrooms are at 84 to 88 Colborne street. This business was established in 1887 by the present firm, whose trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion of Canada. The premises comprise a three-story and basement building, 60x35 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to the factory, which is a model of neatness and cleanliness throughout, and fifteen hands are constantly employed and three travelling salesmen on the road. Messrs. D. Williams & Son manufacture largely table delicacies, jams, jellies, sauces, tomato catsup, pickles, horse radish, maple syrup, etc., and they sell solely to the wholesale trade. The firm's goods are standards with the trade and are general favorites wherever introduced, owing to their quality, purity and great salability. Mr. D. Williams was born in Massachusetts,

but has resided in Toronto for the last seven years. He is highly regarded in trade circles and is a popular member of the Select Knights of Canada.

**GEORGE HALL.**

**T**HE great advance in the refinement of people in all the walks of life is made no more apparent in any branch of trade than that of the merchant tailor. Among the leading fashionable, artistic tailoring houses in this city, is that of Mr. George Hall, located at No. 340 College street. The business was established four years ago, but was conducted at another location until 1893 when it was moved to its present commodious quarters. Mr. Hall has had a wide experience in the fashionable tailor's art, and is a practical cutter and fitter. His store is well stocked with an elegant and fashionable line of imported goods, including worsteds, tweeds, woollens, naps, beavers, meltons, etc., for suitings and overcoats, and this house not only guarantees the quality of goods but also the workmanship and a perfect fit, and made after the latest fashions. Mr. Hall gives employment to six skilled artists whose work and judgment, like that of himself, is quite faultless and all orders left with him are promptly executed, promptness being a characteristic of the house. Gentlemen desiring to dress well and correctly should not fail to leave their order with Mr. Hall. He has established an excellent trade solely upon the merits of his goods, perfection in fitting patrons and artistic work. Give Mr. Hall a call for your winter and spring suit and he will fit you out to perfect satisfaction.

**GORDON & GALES.**

**O**NE of the newest firms for favors of Toronto's business men is that of Gordon & Gales, printers. This business was established December, 1892, by Mr. C. Howard Gordon at 170 Yonge street, and three months later he formed a partnership with Mr. Thomas W. Gales and a removal was made to the premises now occupied in the third flat of the building No. 120 on the same street. The equipment is all new and of the very best character and the entire outfit superior in every respect. They make a specialty of fine commercial and general job printing, statements, invoices, letter heads, cards, and such printing as is used by business houses, banks and in offices. They turn out the very best class of work, do it promptly and at reasonable prices. They are both young men. Mr. Gordon was born in Port Perry, Ont., where he learned his trade, and has resided

in Toronto four years. Mr. Gales is also a native Canadian.

**NEW YORK RESTAURANT.**

**T**HE ably managed New York restaurant has always been popular from the day it was first opened in 1881, and Mrs. Manlow, the proprietress, acquired a wide reputation for the excellence of the splendid meals furnished at very moderate prices. The restaurant is located at Nos. 51 and 53 York street, and is neatly and attractively furnished. It is 25 x 100 feet in dimensions and affords ample accommodation for one hundred. Meals are furnished at all hours, also regular board by the day or week, with or without rooms. Mrs. Manlow is a most excellent cook and provides liberally everything of the best, including poultry, game and oysters when in season. The location of the restaurant is very central and convenient, being but two minutes from the Union depot and five minutes from the steamboat landings. Mrs. Manlow is doing a splendid business and her popular New York restaurant is highly commended. Mrs. Manlow also keeps a full stock of fine confectionery and choice brands imported and domestic cigars.

**JAMES BARWELL.**

**A**LTHOUGH but recently established in business, Mr. James Barwell has secured a trade which, by reason of its volume and character, entitles him to prominent mention. He inaugurated his present business in 1892 and is located at 88 Bay street, where he occupies premises well adapted for the display of the large stock of elegant goods in which he deals, comprising gas, combination and electric fixtures, also gas globes and shades of the best English make. Mr. Barwell imports these goods direct from James Barwell, Sons & Co., Worcester Works, Birmingham, England, who obtained the highest award given for gas fixtures at the Adelaide, Australia, Exhibition in 1887, and are also appointed manufacturers to the English Admiralty. He also carries a stock of the best Canadian and American manufactures and has the finest and best assortment to be found in Toronto. The goods are all of handsome design and quality, and offered at prices that no others can compete with. The trade is both wholesale and retail, and comes from Toronto and surrounding towns. Mr. Barwell is a native of Birmingham, England, and during his residence in Toronto has always been successful as a business man and useful as a citizen.

**EAST & KILNER.**

ONE of the leading firms engaged in the manufacture of umbrellas and trunks and who do an extensive wholesale business is that of Messrs. East & Kilner, whose office, salesroom and factory are located at 368 and 370 Yonge street. The business was established in 1873 by Mr. Wm. East and continued by him until about a year ago, when he formed a partnership with Mr. Wm. Kilner under the present name and style. They occupy two flats, each 40x60 feet in size, and employ a working staff of twenty-five skilled hands. In the salesroom is carried an immense stock of umbrellas of every kind, with plain, fancy and ornamental handles in wood, nickel, silver, etc., also walking sticks and a wide range of trunks, hand bags, portmanteaus, satchels, etc., and the goods manufactured and dealt in by the firm are all of a superior quality. Mr. East is a native of Toronto and Mr. Kilner has resided in the city for some time. They are both well known in commercial circles and are popular business men whose honorable dealing makes it a pleasure to transact business with them.

**JAMES PELL.**

THE business of manufacturing woven-wire mattresses, etc., in this city is ably represented by Mr. James Pell, successor to R. Thorne & Co., who had established it in 1881. Mr. Pell bought out the firm in 1892 and has since been doing a splendid business, which is widely diffused throughout the whole of Canada. The



building occupied is situated at No. 33 Pearl street, is a two-story structure, 35x80 feet in dimensions, and steady employment is given to ten expert hands. Mr. Pell manufactures a superior quality of woven-wire mattresses, also spiral and slat beds, iron bedsteads, cots, etc., and fills orders from the wholesale trade and jobbing houses. He was born in this city, has always resided here, and is well and favorably known as an upright, honorable business man. He is an active member of the Foresters.

**GEO. JACK.**

ONE of the best pastry cooks and confectioners in Toronto is Mr. George Jack, whose Star bakery and handsomely fitted up, attractive store is at the corner King and Sherbourne streets. This business was established in 1879 by Mr. N. Gardner, and in 1888 Mr. Jack bought him out and has since been doing a large, prosperous business. The bakery is equipped with ample ovens and all conveniences, and the store, which is 22x40 feet in area, is tastefully arranged. Mr. Jack bakes fresh daily all kinds of pastry and manufactures confectionery, cakes, candies, etc., and supplies a large, first-class, family hotel and restaurant trade. The business is both wholesale and retail and is steadily increasing each succeeding year. Only the finest flour and other materials and ingredients are used in the establishment and the goods produced are superior in every respect. Wedding cakes are made to order and pic-nics and parties are supplied with pastry, cakes, confectionery, etc., at the shortest notice. Mr. Jack is a native of Toronto. He is a gentleman of middle age and a practical baker and confectioner of long experience.

**COPP BROS. CO. (Limited).**

IN our ever varying climate, with our severely cold and long winters, the question of properly heating on an economical basis our dwelling houses, workshops, stores and other buildings, is a most important one, and has received the careful attention of experienced and scientific men. Among the leading Canadian concerns whose productions are in great and growing demand in all parts of the Dominion is the Copp Bros. Co., Limited, whose works are located in the city of Hamilton, and whose warehouse in this city is at 56 Lombard street. This firm are the sole manufacturers of celebrated "Warrior" stoves, also of the equally celebrated "Torrid" and "Challenge" steel dome and steel radiator, self-cleaning furnaces. The Toronto branch was opened five years ago, and has since been under the enterprising management of Mr. William Batty, a gentleman of long and valuable experience in this line of trade, and who has been connected with the company for many years. The Toronto warehouse is 40x60 feet in dimensions, and is at all times fully stocked with a comprehensive line of the products



of the Hamilton works. Mr. Batty is a pleasant gentleman with whom to have dealings, and parties should not fail to call on him and carefully examine his stoves and furnaces before placing orders elsewhere.

**J. C. WALKER & CO.**

ONE of the leading photograph studios in Toronto is that of Messrs. J. C. Walker & Co., located at 147 to 149 Yonge street. The business was established in 1881 by the firm who came here from Bradford. The premises are spacious and comprise the first and second floors of the building at the above address and are unexceptionably attractive and tastefully furnished, while the operating rooms are provided with the latest improved appliances, including Ross & Dalmeyer lenses,



handsome back-grounds, etc. Photographs of all sizes and styles are made, while special attention is given to enlarging and copying pictures and pastel, crayon, oil, water color and India ink work. He also makes a specialty of platinum and bromide photos in black and white, this style of photos being greatly in demand in Europe. In every branch the work executed is unsurpassed in elegance, neatness and beauty, such as is only attained by the thoroughly skilled photograph-artist. Mr. Walker is a native of Canada, an experienced artist in this art and well deserves the appellation of "leader." He is president of the Photographic Association of Canada.

**JAMES BRIMSTIN.**

**T**HE only Canadian manufacturer of all kinds of cutlery is Mr. James Brimstin, whose sale-rooms and factory are situated in Toronto at 360 Yonge street, between Elm and Walton streets. This business was established in 1864 by Mr. J. Brimstin and his late brother. Mr. Brimstin is a thoroughly practical and expert cutler. He occupies a commodious three-story building, and manufactures and deals in all kinds of



cutlery, razors, knives, of every description, shears, sharp-edged tools, surgical instruments, etc., which for finish and quality cannot be surpassed, having received all prizes awarded at the Toronto Exhibition from 1884 to 1887 for his razors and cutlery, namely, four diplomas, bronze medal and first prize awarded for excellence of manufacture. Mr. Brimstin also keeps in stock celluloid, ivory and bone handles, repairs locks, fits keys, etc., and goods are called for and delivered, and all work guaranteed, while his prices are moderate. He was born in Ireland, and came to Toronto twenty-nine years ago, and is widely known for his mechanical skill, and fully merits the liberal patronage secured in this useful industry. Mr. Brimstin is agent in Toronto for the safety razor guide.

**JAMES EWART.**

**I**N the building of carriages and wagons one of the most reliable and popular houses in Toronto is that of Mr. James Ewart, whose office and workshops are situated at 237 and 239 Queen street east. This business was established in 1885 by Messrs. Ewart & Johnson, who conducted it till 1892, when they dissolved partnership. Mr. Ewart continued the business and his patronage now extends throughout the city and Ontario. He occupies a spacious three-story building, 85 x 67 feet in dimensions, and from fifteen to twenty-five skilled workmen are employed. Mr. Ewart is an expert carriage and wagon builder and makes a specialty of turning out laundry, grocery and bakers' wagons, and also promptly makes to order carriages of every description, and attends to repairing, painting and trimming. This is the only house in Toronto building the wicker laundry wagons, and Mr. Ewart supplies wagons to Messrs. Steele Bros., Webb's bakery and the Swiss laundry, and the vehicles

produced are unsurpassed for strength, elegance and durability. A superior stock of carriages, wagons, etc., is always on hand and Mr. Ewart also attends to general blacksmithing. Mr. Ewart was born in the north of Ireland, but came to Toronto in 1872. He is widely known for his mechanical skill and fully deserves the substantial success secured in this important industry. The Telephone call of the office is 1188.

**T. HARRIS.**

**O**NE among the adjuncts of universal necessity is the Universal Straw Hat Works of Mr. T. Harris, which is located at No. 604 Yonge street, Toronto. Mr. Harris established his works four years ago and has secured an excellent business. He employs one assistant, who, like himself, is thorough in the line of work carried on. The business conducted by Mr. Harris is that of cleaning, dyeing, and altering ladies' and gentlemen's straw and felt hats, so as to be in conformity with the latest modes and styles of newly manufactured headwear. Mr. Harris is an artist in this line, and all work turned out at his works bears the imprint of first-class workmanship, whether in the dyeing, the altering of shape and style, or in the cleaning. He personally superintends all work. All orders confided to him receive immediate attention and we cheerfully commend his work. Mr. Harris was born in England, but has been a citizen of Toronto for some years.

**DAVID STEVENSON.**

**O**NE of the best practical merchant tailors and skilled cutters in this city is Mr. David Stevenson. He has had a long and valuable experience designing and making gentlemen's fashionable wearing apparel and devotes his time and talents to fine custom work only. He has been established in business for a period of eight years and was formerly a member of the firm of Stevenson & Regan. His store, located at 281 Yonge street, is complete in all appointments and here is exhibited one of the finest stocks of cloths to be seen in the city, the very best sources of European production contributing to its wealth. Elegant woolsens and worsteds are a specialty and all the new designs and styles are displayed in profusion. Mr. Stevenson gives his personal attention to orders and is untiring in his endeavors to render the best satisfaction and never fails to please patrons. He is a native of Canada and popularly known. He conducts his establishment according to modern ideas and everything about it betokens thorough system and practical management.

**B. F. C. LAUNDRY.**

**U**NQUESTIONABLY the most popular laundry in this city is that known as the B. F. C. Laundry, located at 120 Queen street east. The Laundry was established in 1892, by Miss K. Bigley, who is still at its head, and is conducting it with a success as marked as it is pronounced. The premises are 20x60 feet in dimensions and is admirably fitted up with special appliances for executing the work in a superior manner. There is no machinery in the establishment; all the work being done by hand and without injury to garments. Shirts, collars and cuffs are done up in an immaculate style, lace curtains are laundered to look equal to new, and the finest and most delicate fabrics are given the most careful attention. Miss Bigley is a careful, painstaking business woman, employs skilled hands, and is very moderate in her charges. Laundry work is called for and delivered promptly, and every care and attention paid to patrons. Among her permanent customers are many of the best families in the city, and she is doing a first-class, substantial business.

**THE IDEAL WEEKLY PAYMENT STORE.**

**T**HERE can be no question but that the introduction of "instalment goods" houses has proved a boon to many a housekeeper of limited means. This plan of selling goods has become very popular and extends to almost every branch of trade that enters into the domestic economy of the household. The leading house of this kind in Toronto is The Ideal Weekly Payment Store, of which Mr. J. W. Coltsen is manager, and which is located at No. 186 Queen street east. It is stocked with a choice assortment of stoves, bedroom suites, baby carriages, parlor and dining room suits, carpets, linoleums, oil cloths, curtains, draperies, etc., and general house furnishings. These are sold on the most liberal and accommodating terms—a small payment being made on the delivery of the goods, the balance being paid in weekly amounts to suit the convenience of the purchaser. This excellent system enables people of moderate means and small incomes to furnish their homes without depriving themselves of the necessities of life; and another good feature of the instalment plan is that the money thus expended is saved to the purchaser. Mr. Coltsen also makes a specialty of repairing furniture. He is a native of England, and founded this business in 1892, and is recognized as a wide-awake and honorable business man, with whom it is always both pleasant and profitable to have dealings.

## ANDERSON &amp; REARDON

UNQUESTIONABLY the best manufacturers of mouldings, picture frames, etc., in Toronto, is the firm of Anderson & Reardon, who occupy a flat 30 x 75 feet in dimensions, in the building 67 Adelaide Street West. This business was established in 1891 by the firm, and is both wholesale and retail in character, and widely diffused throughout Canada. Nine skilled hands are employed in the factory and steam power operates the machinery. The firm manufacture picture frames of every description, also plain and fancy mouldings for frames, rooms, etc., wall pockets, easels, etc. They furnish estimates and enter into contracts for furnishing mouldings and picture and advertising frames in any quantity, guaranteeing satisfaction. Mr. Anderson is a native of Ireland, and was raised in Canada. Mr. Reardon was born in Newfoundland. They are both reliable men of business and highly respected.

## REV. S. TUCKER.

THE Rev. S. Tucker, who is widely known in this city, has since 1880 been engaged in handling and dealing in Magnetic appliances and medical specialties. He formerly had charge of the branch house of the Wilsonia Magnetic Appliance Co. of the city of New York and 8 years after bought out the Canadian branch of the company and removed to the Richmond Chambers and subsequently to room 16, No. 33 Richmond Street west, and has since been manufacturing the Wilsonia Magnetic Appliances, which are celebrated all over the Dominion for their wonderful curative effects, and he also manufactures other medical specialties and ladies' abdominal supporters. He also deals in the finest teas and coffees, making a specialty of the celebrated black teas imported by R. J. Sweet, of Halifax, N. S., and is sole agent for these teas in Ontario. Mr. Tucker is of English birth and came to Canada in 1855. He has long been a faithful minister of the Methodist Church in this country.

## J. M. MALONEY &amp; SON.

IN reviewing the various branches of enterprise in the city of Toronto, we know of no house in its line more worthy of special mention than the old established firm of Messrs. J. M. Maloney & Son, Merchant Tailors, whose salerooms are located at 91 Bay Street. This business was established in 1867, by Mr. J. M. Maloney, who eventually admitted his son, Mr. Richard Maloney, into partnership. The premises comprise a spacious three story building, 20x80 feet in area, and the stock is one of the finest and best selected in Toronto; including all kinds of imported and domestic cloths, suitings, vest-

ings, overcoatings, English, Scotch, French and American Fabrics, etc., which are procured direct from the most famous foreign houses, and steady employment is given to 30 skilled tailors. The garments made here are striking examples of perfection in style, fit and workmanship, while the prices charged are extremely moderate and visitors to Toronto and others requiring really first-class clothing should patronize this popular firm. They are highly esteemed for their artistic accomplishments and have an influential patronage not only in Toronto, but also in London, Hamilton, Montreal, Belleville and Quebec.

## JAS. CRAWFORD, JR.

ONE of the leading exponents of the merchant tailor's art in this city is Mr. Jas. Crawford, Jr., of No. 4 Queen Street east. Mr. Crawford is a Canadian by birth and established himself in business during the present year. He is a skilful tailor of long experience and already has drawn a first-class trade. In his parlors on Queen street will be found the finest imported woollens and cloths in all the latest styles and patterns, including checks, serges, diagonals, plaids, meltons, vestings, suitings, etc., in great variety. Mr. Crawford employs only the best talent and guarantees every garment leaving his establishment to be absolutely perfect in fit, finish and workmanship. He is rapidly building up his trade which already is derived from the most influential citizens of this community, while he quotes the most reasonable prices consistent with the style and finish of all his work. A call will convince the most fastidious dresser in Toronto that Mr. Crawford's goods are among the best and his prices the most reasonable.

## F. MACNAB &amp; CO.

IN a commercial review of the city's growth and prosperity it is specially important to note those recently established enterprises which are the life and hope of any community. Such an establishment is that of F. Macnab & Co., whose new and finely appointed store is located at 274 Yrge street, and has been in operation only about twenty months. The firm are manufacturers of ladies' and gents' fine furs, and are direct importers of silk and felt hats. Mr. Macnab was for twelve years connected with the well known house of A. A. Allen & Co., furriers, and is a thoroughly practical man in the business, and a gentleman of exceptional business ability. He employs regularly a staff of twenty hands, and his stock of furs is one of the most extensive and valuable in the city. He also carries a superior line of imported and domestic silk and felt hats from

the leading manufacturers, in the very latest styles. The premises consist of three flats, 22 x 100 feet in dimensions, admirably arranged and handsomely fitted up. Mr. Macnab has been a resident of Canada for the last fifteen years, and is a young, enterprising business man, who is fast coming to the front as one of our leading and influential merchants.

## J. W. VENN.

THE popular confectioner, Mr. J. W. Venn, has been established in business in this city since 1891, and has secured a first-class patronage. He is located at 32 York street, where he occupies a tastefully fitted-up store 25 x 75 feet in area, and the stock of confectionery comprises the choicest caramels, chocolates, bon-bons, candies and sweets of all kinds; also foreign and domestic fruits of every variety when in season. Mr. Venn also has an admirably equipped lunch counter, where tea, coffee, and substantial and dainties and oysters in every style may be had at all hours of the day, at moderate prices. Mr. Venn's establishment is conveniently located to the railroad depots and steamboat landings, and, besides a large local trade, he also receives a fine transient custom. He fully understands how to cater to the public and supplies everything of the best. He is a native of Ogdensburg, New York, and during the time he has resided in Toronto has always been successful and prosperous.

## JOSEPH HARRISON.

A NEWLY established and reliable house in Toronto engaged in steam, hot water and gas fitting is that of Mr. Joseph Harrison, whose office and workshops are at 136 King street west. Mr. Harrison is a thoroughly practical and expert steam and hot water heating engineer, who guarantees entire satisfaction to the most critical patrons. He established this business in May, 1892, and occupies two spacious floors, each being 100x25 feet in area, where a heavy and choice stock of steam, hot water and gas fittings is always on hand, and he employs 25 skilled hands. Mr. Harrison makes a specialty of fitting up buildings with hot water apparatus, and all his goods in this line are manufactured by the Toronto Radiator Company. He uses chiefly the famous Daisy Hot Water Boiler, and promptly furnishes estimates for the steam and hot water heating of all kinds of buildings, schools, churches, stores, factories, etc., at very moderate prices. Mr. Harrison is a native of Toronto, and is a prominent member of the Foresters and A.O.U.W. His system of steam and hot water heating is perfect, being combined with an effective method of ventilation. The Telephone call of the office is No. 13.



**BEARDMORE & CO.**

ONE of the most important firms in the city of Toronto is that of Beardmore & Co., Tanners, Importers and Leather Merchants, whose salesrooms and offices are centrally situated at 39 Front street east. This business was established in 1845, and its trade now extends throughout Canada and Great Britain. The copartners, Messrs. W. D., G. W. and A. O. Beardmore, bring great experience to bear, coupled with an intimate knowledge of the requirements of shoe manufacturers, harness makers, etc. Their sole leather and harness leather tanneries are situated at Acton, and they also have another large tannery at Bracebridge, and a full force of skilled workmen is employed. The premises occupied in Toronto comprise a spacious four-story brick warehouse, 30 x 200 feet in dimensions, fitted up with every convenience for the accommodation of the immense stock of hemlock, sole, union oak harness leather, closed uppers, cut soles, and all kinds of shoe findings; and they also import French calf and kid direct. Messrs. W. D. and G. W. Beardmore were born in Hamilton, while Mr. A. O. Beardmore is a native of Toronto. They are honourable business men, who have many friends in the best commercial circles of the city.

**LEARN & MAGUIRE.**

ALTHOUGH but a short time has elapsed since Messrs. Learn & Maguire opened their Printing and Engraving establishment it has already acquired a large patronage. They inaugurated the business some months ago, and are located on the ground floor of the four-story building, No. 111 Bay street, and a number of skilled hands are kept constantly employed. The firm execute all kinds of plain, fancy and ornamental printing; also, commercial work, manufacture rubber and steel stamps, engrave on gold, silver, steel and brass, and make a specialty of all kinds of society seals; also, ball programmes, invitations, visit ag cards, etc. Office stationery is a specialty, and a complete assortment is always kept in stock, and the work turned out is fully equal to that of older concerns in the business. Messrs. G. A. Learn and G. Maguire are both native Canadians; the former was born in Port Colborne and the latter in this city. They are both young men, active and enterprising, deserving the success they have already achieved.

**GEO. W. TORRANCE.**

ONE of the principal storage and bonded warehouses in Toronto is that of Mr. Geo. W. Torrance, located at 18 Front street west. Mr. Torrance established this business in 1880, and his warehouse is a most convenient

place to store merchandise, where he also insures goods at lowest rates. It is a substantial four-story structure, 30 x 180 feet in dimensions, a part of which is now used for the manufacture of native wines. There are ten vats in this department and a number of large casks, containing 600 gallons each. Mr. Torrance obtains his grapes from the most celebrated vineyards in Niagara, and puts up his wines in 20 and 40 gallon casks for shipment; and his wines are highly appreciated for their medicinal properties, purity and excellence. Mr. Torrance is also general agent for the Dominion Line Royal Mail Steamships, sailing weekly from Montreal to Liverpool. These steamships are among the finest and best equipped in the world; every attention being paid to the comfort and health of passengers, and the Dominion Line is a great favorite with the travelling public. For further information, rates, etc., those interested are requested to call on Mr. Torrance, who issues passage tickets at lowest rates.

**THE PERTH DYEING & CLEANING WORKS.**

A WELL-KNOWN dyeing and cleaning establishment in Toronto is that known as The Perth, of which Mr. M. A. Murphy is the able and enterprising proprietor, and was established as far back as 1875. The office and works are located at 329 Yonge street, with a branch at 224 Talbot street, St. Thomas. The scouring of this establishment is done by special machinery, and in the cleaning of ladies and gentlemen's suits and garments, a special process is applied, guaranteed to prevent any change in color or shape, and to return the goods in the same condition as when they left the manufacturer. Six assistants are employed, and every description of wearing apparel is here dyed and cleaned, including overcoats, suits, dresses, silk mantles, jackets, silk dresses, lace trimmings, gloves, kid boots, ostrich leathers, hats, also lace, muslin and damask curtains, table covers, lambrequins, etc. Mr. Murphy allows only good work to leave his establishment, and every article must pass under the rigid inspection of his careful and experienced eye before it is delivered. Mr. Murphy is a Canadian by birth, and is highly esteemed for his honourable and upright business methods.

**WESTREN, JONES & CO.**

ONE of the leading grocery stores in this section of the city is that of Messrs. Westren, Jones & Co., centrally located at 419 Yonge street, popularly styled "The Central Grocery Store." This business was established in 1883, by the present proprietors. The premises occupied consist of the ground floor and basement of a three-story brick building 20x60 feet in dimensions, and the

store is stocked to repletion with a choice and careful selection of staple and fancy groceries, also creamery and dairy butter, cheese, eggs, canned goods, hams, bacon, and farm products, supplied daily, fresh and tempting. The firm make a specialty of China and Japan teas, Mocha, Java, and South American coffees, pure spices, choice table delicacies, condiments and family flour. The firm are recipients of a large and influential family trade, and transact their business on a strictly cash basis, and is looked upon as one of the most reliable in the city. Both partners are Englishmen by birth, and highly respected in the best social and trade circles of the community.

**WM. STAUGHTON.**

A SUCCESSFUL mercantile house in this city is that so ably conducted by Mr. Wm. Staughton, at 439 Yonge street. This enterprise was established some twenty years ago, and, in 1891, Mr. Staughton succeeded to the entire control of the business. He has had long experience in the produce and commission business and is an extensive wholesale and retail dealer in flour, feed, and all kinds of grain, pot barley, oatmeal, etc., acting as agent for the Royal Dominion Mills and handling their products. He also has an agency for the Scranton Coal Company, selling both at wholesale and retail all kinds of hard and soft coal, at the lowest market prices, and he now handles an immense family trade in flour and coal. Mr. Staughton is an Englishman by birth, and during his business career in this city has, by honourable and upright dealing, gained the respect of the business community at large. He is an influential member of the Sons of England and the Free Masons, and one of our most enterprising and successful business men.

**JOHN E. WILSON.**

AMONG the responsible mercantile establishments in this city is that of John E. Wilson, at 427 1/2 Yonge street. Mr. Wilson inaugurated this enterprise in 1892, and by his energy and good judgment, has placed his house in the foremost rank in its special line in the city. He occupies the ground floor, 20 x 60 feet in dimensions, which is stocked with a fine assortment of the very best goods in his line, put up especially for family use, including rolled and cracked wheat, Glasgow peas, brose meal, farina, pot barley, pearl barley, split peas, pearl hominy and Gold Dust meals, linseed, split peas, and patent pan-dried oat meals. These are seed meals, and patent-cut and are prepared by the only system of drying oats which leaves the oatmeal free from that smoky, disagreeable taste. Mr. Wilson is also city



agent for the Erie Mills celebrated bands roller-process patent flour, put up especially for family use. He also deals in all kinds of feed, his trade being both wholesale and retail. Mr. Wilson is a native of Scotland, and an energetic business man, respected and esteemed by all who know him for his honourable and upright business methods.

#### JOHN HAWLEY.

ONE of the oldest and most reliable provision and produce commission houses in Toronto is that of Mr. John Hawley, whose salesrooms and office are at 88 Front street east. This business was established in 1870, by Messrs. Hawley Bros., who conducted it till 1880, when, on the death of his brother, Mr. John Hawley became sole proprietor. The premises comprise a three-story and basement building, 30 x 100 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to offices and the sales department, while the second and third floors are utilized for the storage of fruits, eggs, etc., and the basement for butter. Mr. Hawley deals largely in butter, lard, cheese, eggs, fruits, poultry, hams, bacon, etc. He makes a specialty of eggs preserved for winter use, and exports produce to Great Britain, and the trade of the house now extends throughout the Dominion and parts of the United States. Mr. Hawley was born in Buffalo, New York, in 1841, but has resided in Toronto for the last forty-three years, and he is widely known as an honourable and reliable business man. The Telephone call of the office is 471.

#### DOMINION WATCH CASE REPAIRING COMPANY.

THE only establishment of its kind in Canada is that of the Dominion Watch Case Repairing Company, whose office and factory is in the brick building, 20 x 100 feet in dimensions, at 29 Adelaide street west. The premises are equipped with special machinery operated by electricity, and the services of ten skilled hands are brought into requisition. Messrs. Humphrey Bros., the founders and proprietors of the business, are both practical men of many years' experience, and during the time they have been established in this city, a period of about a year, they have developed a large trade. They make a special business of gold and silver plating and repairing and plating watch cases for the trade and individuals, and the trade is not confined to this city, but comes from all parts of Canada. Messrs. J. A. and A. E. Humphrey are both natives of Toronto and have a wide reputation as reliable business men and citizens. Mr. J. A. Humphrey is a member of the Orangemen, A.O.U.W. and Odd Fellows.

#### WM. RADAM MICROBE KILLER CO. [LIMITED.]

ONE of the greatest discoveries of the present age is the Wm. Radam Microbe Killer. Its discovery is one of those fortunate accidents that agnostics attribute to chance, and religious men to a special Providence. This wonderful specific for impure blood was discovered by Mr. Wm. Radam, an American, in 1886, and is the best remedy of the kind in existence. The Wm. Radam Microbe Killer Company was duly incorporated in 1890, with a capital stock of \$20,000, Mr. L. A. Cobb being President, Mr. J. H. McKinnon, Vice-President, and Mr. Chas. W. Eman, Managing Director. The Company's laboratory at 120 King street west, Toronto, is fully equipped with special machinery, and a heavy stock of the Wm. Radam Microbe Killer is always on hand. The premises comprise two spacious floors, each being 25 x 200 feet in dimensions, which are utilized for offices, salesroom and laboratory. This Branch is controlled by Mr. Chas. W. Eman, the Managing Director, who is widely known for his promptness and strict probity. This unsurpassed Microbe Killer is the greatest remedy of the age, and has proved invaluable to multitudes of sufferers, and the trade of the Toronto Branch extends throughout all sections of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West.

#### THE COWAN COMPANY, LIMITED.

IT is creditable to Canadian enterprise that here in Toronto is an establishment that manufactures cocoas and chocolates upon an extensive scale, and of the highest standard as regards purity and excellence. We refer to the well-known Cowan Company, Limited, Nos. 468 to 474 King street west. This industry was founded in 1890, under the title of the Cowan Cocoa and Chocolate Company, at Nos. 14 and 16 Mincing Lane, Wellington street west. In June, 1893, the concern was re-organized under the existing title, Mr. Jno. W. Cowan becoming President, and Mr. C. H. Meredith, Secretary. Its premises on King street west comprise an entire three-story brick building, 102 x 125 feet in dimensions, and here is one of the best-regulated, cleanly and thoroughly efficient factories for food products of the kind in the world, and the Cowan chocolates and cocoas have come to be widely preferred by the Canadian public. The Company's specialty is "Cowan's Hygienic Cocoa," made of absolutely pure cocoa, and is the standard with the public everywhere. Other products are Queen's Dessert Chocolate, Royal Navy Chocolate, Cocoa Essence, etc. The Company are also the most extensive

manufacturers in Ontario of icing and powdered sugars, coffees, etc., confectioners' sweet and plain coatings, etc. Mr. Cowan is a recognized authority in this branch of industry, and the trade covers every section of Canada, requiring the services of four travellers on the road, and the sales this season are largely in excess of any year previous. Mr. Cowan is a native of Ireland, long resident in Canada, and an active member of the Board of Trade, to whose efforts is due the existence here of this important industry.



JOHN PATTON.

A HOUSE which has established an enviable reputation for superior goods is that of Mr. John Patton, the well-known boot and shoemaker and dealer in footwear, in Lamb's Block, 224 Queen street east. Mr. Patton has been established in business a period of thirty years. His store has a front of 25, with a depth of 75 feet, is handsomely fitted up, and the stock embraces footwear from the best known and most reliable manufacturers; everything suitable for ladies', gentlemen's, boys', misses' and children's wear, in all the latest styles and all sizes. Cooper & Smith and all the best manufacturers' goods, both fine and staple, are a specialty with Mr. Patton; and in the custom and repair department only the most competent workmen are employed, and his prices are always moderate. A full line of trunks, valises, satchels, etc., are also carried by Mr. Patton. He is a native of Ireland and came to Toronto many years ago. He is a prominent member of the Masonic Order and Past Inspector-General of Toronto District, and an active member of the Blue and Royal Arch.

### THE ELLIOTT HOUSE.

**N**EW hotels in this or any other city offer such advantages and comforts to its guests as does the widely known Elliott House, located at the corner Church and Shuter streets. This hotel has been in existence for over thirty years, and has become widely known and popular among the travelling public both in Canada and the United States. Conveniently situated within a short distance of the wholesale and retail centre of the city.



It is substantially built of brick, four stories in height, and 100 x 125 feet in dimensions, with large L facing on Dalhousie street. On the first floor is the office, reading and smoking rooms and dining room. On the second floor is the public parlor and large, well ventilated and newly furnished bed rooms; the remaining floors being occupied as sleeping apartments. There are in all seventy-five rooms, well ventilated, handsomely furnished and heated by steam, each floor being furnished in the most complete manner with hot and cold baths. The dining room has a seating capacity of 150, and is elegantly fitted up and well appointed. The cuisine is under the supervision of a competent and skilled chef, and all the delicacies of the season are here provided in abundance. The building is fitted with all the latest modern

improvements. Opening out from the main hall is a beautiful lawn, 100 feet square, filled with fine old shade trees and rustic seats for the use and comfort of guests. The bar is well appointed and heavily stocked with the choicest wines, liquors, ales, and fine imported and domestic cigars. The proprietor, Mr. J. W. Hirst, is one of the most popular and widely known hotel men in Toronto, and was a travelling salesman for a leading wholesale house in this city for many years.

### MISS PAYNTER.

**T**HE most fashionable and popular millinery and dress making establishment in Toronto is that of Miss Paynter, which is located on the first floor of the building, No. 3 King street east. The business was established twelve years ago by Miss Paynter, who has always been the recognized leader of fashions. The show room and parlors, 25 x 100 feet, are handsomely fitted up with mirrors, plate glass show cases and all modern conveniences. An extensive display is made of Paris, London and New York millinery, and as Miss Paynter maintains close business connections with the best foreign houses, she is enabled to obtain the new styles and fashions in advance each season. Her trade is drawn from the most fashionable society, and orders are filled from Ottawa, Belleville, Prince Albert and as far west as Winnipeg. Millinery, robes and gowns are made to order, and particular attention paid to wedding outfits. Miss Paynter is a lady of most excellent taste and judgment and is prepared to meet all requirements, however exacting, in her line of business.

### THOMAS WILSON.

**T**HIS gentleman has his office in the building, No. 12 Adelaide street east, is one of the most experienced as well as the best known, and most trustworthy of the real estate dealers in Toronto. He has had a valuable experience in the business and since 1879 established

in it on his own account. He deals in improved and unimproved city and suburban property, farm and timber lands, and has a long list of the most eligibly situated houses and lands for residence and business purposes to dispose of. He buys, sells and exchanges houses and lands, rents and leases property and also deals in subdivisions and plots, and can offer to conservative investors the best possible bargains to be obtained in Toronto, that are guaranteed to produce a steady income and a prospective increase in values. He also appraises property and acts as arbitrator and has the fullest confidence of all having business dealings with him. Mr. Wilson was born in Canada and is a business man of ripe experience and unquestioned reputation.

### R. J. HOVENDEN.

**O**NE of the best known and leading representative importers and dealers in artists' supplies and painters materials in Toronto is Mr. R. J. Hovenden, a practical business man of mature experience and unquestioned reputation. He is located at 91-93 King street west, where he occupies a tastefully fitted up salesroom and store, 25 x 100 feet in area, especially arranged and adapted for all business purposes. Immediately in the rear is the plate and sheet glass warehouse, 45 x 100, two stories high. The stock of goods in all lines has been carefully selected and is of a superior quality and comprises everything in the line of artists' materials and painters' supplies, etc., together with oil and water color pictures by leading artists; also a large and varied assortment of picture moulding, as the house does a large picture-framing trade. Mr. Hovenden is an old resident of Toronto and very popular as a business man and citizen, and is a member of the Ontario Society of Artists.

### JOE PRICE.

**T**HE leading bill poster in Toronto is Mr. Joe Price, whose offices are located at 86 Yonge and 349 Dovercourt Road. Mr. Price established this business in 1891 and owns the principal boards in Toronto. He employs constantly six men, and does the posting for the Grand Opera House, Academy of Music, the C.P.R. and all other principal advertising concerns in the city and its vicinity. He is a very pushing and energetic man, and is known in the city as "Live Joe Price." Last winter he began a series of popular concerts by leading local talent, known as the Live Joe Price popular concerts. These concerts were held in the Auditorium, one of the largest music halls in the city, and proved a great success. Mr. Price intends to make these concerts permanent, and they will be held at intervals during the next winter season. He is a native of Toronto, and is highly regarded in business circles. Mr. Price's bill boards are lighted by electric lights.

## JOSEPH JONES.

**A** REPRESENTATIVE importing house in the city of Toronto is that of Mr. Joseph Jones, whose offices are situated in Arlington Chambers, 60 Yonge street. This business has just been established by Mr. Jones, who has already secured a liberal and influential patronage. He has influential connections in both the United States and Great Britain, and imports direct from the most noted houses, ropes, twines, sash lines, packing cords, cotton waste, oakum, hessians and canvas bags. He also handles every description of manilla, brown, rope, glazed, tissue and toilet papers, paper bags, etc., which are offered at the lowest possible prices, and the trade extends throughout the entire Dominion. Mr. Jones is also agent in Toronto for the British Seamless Steel Tube Company, Limited, manufacturers of cold-drawn seamless steel tubes for bicycle backbones, forks and rims, tricycle frames and other uses. He also represents in this city Messrs. J. Wilkinson & Sons, Birmingham, England, manufacturers of brass, copper, and German silver in sheets, wires and tubes. These goods are general favorites wherever introduced, owing to their superiority and excellence. Mr. Jones was born in England. He is widely known for his business ability and integrity, and we predict for him a prosperous career.

## WILLIAM DIXON.

**I**N the manufacture of fine carriages, buggies, sleighs, etc., an old established house in Toronto is that of Mr. William Dixon, whose workshops and repository are situated at 63 and 65 Adelaide street west. Mr. Dixon, who is a thoroughly expert carriage builder, established this business in 1861, and his trade now extends not only through Toronto, but also through the principal cities of Ontario. He occupies a spacious four-story and basement building, 40 x 100 feet in area, the basement being devoted to the blacksmith shop, and builds promptly to order all kinds of light and heavy carriages, buggies, etc., and every part of his vehicles is hand made; and the vehicles produced here have no superiors in Toronto for strength, durability and finish. Particular attention is paid to repairing in all its branches, and a choice assortment of carriages and sleighs is always on hand, all quoted at extremely low prices. Mr. Dixon has resided in Toronto for the last fifty-eight years, and is widely known for his mechanical skill and strict probity. He is a prominent Freemason, also a member of the Board of Trade, and an ex-Alderman.

## JOSEPH DOUST.

**T**ORONTO has among its business houses some of the leading law, commercial and bank stationers, lithographers and printers in the country. One of the most prominent of these is Mr. Joseph Doust, who controls an extensive business. Mr. Doust established his business in 1876, and to-day stands among the leading law, commercial and bank stationers of the city. His establishment is located at 58 Adelaide street east, and in his salesrooms will be found a full line of law, commercial and bank stationery, blank books, etc. An ample force of hands are employed and all kinds of commercial and job printing, as also lithographing, is carefully executed in the highest style of the art, including cheques, drafts, letter-heads, note heads, bill heads, envelopes, cards, etc., and binding is also attended to, while the lowest consistent figures are quoted in all classes of work. Mr. Doust does a large amount of legal work, and also manufactures to order blank books, ledgers, etc., and offers the most advantageous inducements both as to the quality and price of his work. Mr. Doust is an Englishman by birth, and during his long business career in this city has gained an enviable reputation as an honorable and reliable business man.

## C. MCMAHON &amp; CO.

**S**INCE its organization four years ago by the present proprietors, the establishment of Messrs. C. McMahon & Co., custom tailors, located at No. 358 Queen street west, Toronto, has gained a high reputation for fine work, excellent goods and reliable dealing. This firm occupies a commodious room of ample dimensions, where is displayed a splendid collection of goods in gentlemen's wear, in the newest designs, shades and patterns, of both foreign and domestic makes. They deal only with leading and reputable wholesale houses and keep in stock goods of superior quality and do a first-class trade. Messrs. McMahon & Co. make to order on the most favorable terms, suits and single garments, and every garment emanating from this house is recognized as superior in every way, and can always be relied upon as first-class in cut, fit, fabric and finish, while the prices quoted are arranged to suit customers. They make to order on liberal terms, credit being extended to those desiring, which in many houses is not recognized. The proprietors are experienced in the trade, they employ some fifteen hands, and by their excellence of work have won a decided success already. Gentlemen desiring fashionably made clothing can have it done to perfect satisfaction at this establishment. The proprietors are natives of Canada and have been residents of Toronto for eight years.

## W. A. SHERWOOD.

**T**HE most successful and eminent portrait painter in the city of Toronto is Mr. W. A. Sherwood, A.R.C.A., whose studio is located at 54 Toronto Arcade. Mr. Sherwood was born in Omemee, Ontario, and from his early youth showed a strong inclination for this noble profession. When only fifteen years old he practised portrait painting for his living, and after a thoroughly careful training, opened his present studio. Mr. Sherwood is an A.R.C.A., and makes a specialty of portrait painting. Among the prominent people who have had their portraits painted by him are the Rev. Dr. Scadding, Miss Pauline Johnson, Canada's celebrated Indian poetess, Mr. Wm. Wilfred Campbell, a Canadian poet whose writings are known all over the world; Amelius Irving, Alex. McLaughlin, a well known literary man; W. D. Lighthall, of Montreal, a prominent writer; John Hurns, Past President of the Commercial Travellers' Association, and many others. Mr. Sherwood is also an excellent landscape painter, but excels in portrait work, and his portraits are gems of ability and skill. Mr. Sherwood is also widely known in Canadian literary circles as a writer of poetry and a critic on art. Prominent citizens desirous of having their portraits painted in the highest style of the art should patronize Mr. Sherwood.

## ISAAC ANDERSON.

**T**HE largest, richest and most powerful corporation in the United States to-day is the Standard Oil Company of New York, manufacturers and refiners of lubricating and illuminating oils, whose ramifications extend throughout the entire United States, controlling more property and with greater capital invested than any other concern in the world. The Toronto branch of this gigantic enterprise is located at 56½ King street west, and is under the efficient management of Mr. Isaac Anderson. The Toronto branch was established eleven years ago, eight years of which Mr. Anderson has been at its head, and it is owing to his ably directed efforts that this branch is in so prosperous a condition. This gigantic enterprise is too well known to need any description at our hands, suffice it to say the annual sales from Toronto now amount to the neighborhood of forty thousand barrels annually, the trade being entirely wholesale in car and cargo lots. Mr. Anderson is a Canadian by birth, having been born and raised in Galt, Ont., and has been well, and favorably known in the business circles of Toronto for upwards of twenty years.

**R. REILLY.**

ONE of the most reliable and fashionable Hatters and Furriers in the city is Mr. R. Reilly. He commenced business in 1886, at 632 Queen street west, and meeting with a marked success, in 1891 he established a store at 160 Yonge street, corner of Richmond, and built up a large, substantial wholesale and retail trade. Five months ago he sold out the Queen street store, and has since given his undivided attention to the Yonge street establishment. A fine display is made in the store of silk, Derby and soft hats of London, Canadian and American manufacture, also caps and a full and complete line of furs for ladies' and gentlemen's wear. His factory is at 147 Yonge street, and here a force of skilled hands is kept constantly employed. He manufactures furs to order, also makes repairs and alterations in the newest styles, and is favored with a large, fashionable custom, and supplies many orders from all parts of the Province of Ontario. Mr. Reilly is a practical hatter and furrier and learned the trade with The Green Sons Company, in Montreal, his native city. He is popularly known in Toronto and has resided here ten years.

**VACUUM OIL COMPANY.**

AN important branch of trade in Ontario is that in Lubricating Oils and Greases. The standard lubricating oils and greases in the Toronto and Canada markets have long been those manufactured by the famous Vacuum Oil Company, of Rochester, N.Y., which possess in the highest degree every qualification essential for perfect and economical lubrication. The Vacuum Oil Company, the leading concern of its kind in the world, was established and duly incorporated in the year 1866, with main office permanently located in Rochester, while there are two manufacturing plants, one at Rochester and the other at Olean, N.Y. The Company has, in spite of the persistent opposition of a well-known monopoly, secured its own oil wells, with pipe line connection to its large refineries at Olean, while it has hundreds of its own cars for the safe transportation of the refined and crude oils to Rochester and elsewhere. The officers are as follows:—H. B. Everest, President; C. M. Everest, Vice-President and Treasurer; F. N. Beach, Secretary; and Edward Prizer, Manager of Sales Department. The Messrs. Everest are widely known American capitalists, who are the recognized leading authorities on the manufacture of all descriptions of high-class lubricants. Their lubricating oils are noted for the highest fire test and lowest cold test, and will neither clog nor harm the most delicate

or swiftest running machinery and are much preferred by railroad companies and steamers for electric dynamos, high speed engines, and general factory use. Mr. A. G. Watson is the able and experienced manager of the Toronto branch, and carries a stock of fully 500 barrels of lubricating oils and greases, lubricating compounds, curriers' hard stuffing greases, etc. His territory includes all of Ontario, Manitoba, etc., while there is another branch in Montreal and twenty others in all the great cities of the world, such as New York, London, Liverpool, Milan, Bombay, Calcutta, Hong Kong, etc. This Company is the great world leader in the manufacture of lubricants.

**MISS HEMMING.**

AN artist of marked ability, who has but recently established herself in this city is Miss Hemming. Her studio is located in the Confederation Life Building, Room 70. Miss Hemming devotes herself especially to portraiture in oil and water-color. Her work has been highly recommended by those competent to judge, especially her fine delineation of expression and faithfulness to detail. Miss Hemming was formerly located in Quebec, where she has many warm friends and patrons. She also paints miniatures on porcelain and ivory, and her work is pronounced especially fine. Her life-size oils taken from photos are perfection itself as to expression and detail, especial attention being given to sittings. Miss Hemming has already executed portraits in oil of the two daughters of Mr. Gooderham, of the widely-known firm of Gooderham & Worts; also of Mr. Elliott late vice-president of the Confederation Life Insurance Company. She has also done work for Mr. J. R. Walker, of Toronto. Miss Hemming has many influential patrons in Montreal and Quebec as well as Toronto, and the time is not far distant when she will be in the front of Canada's noted portrait artists.

**R. H. HOWARD & CO.**

ONE of the most reliable firms of wholesale dealers and importers of wines, liquors and cigars in this section of Toronto is that of Messrs. R. H. Howard & Co., whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 29 Front Street East. This flourishing business was established in 1884, by Mr. R. H. Howard. The premises occupied are spacious, and are well equipped with every convenience for the preservation of the choice and valuable stock of wines and liquors. Here they keep a heavy stock of all kinds of champagnes, ports, sherris, clarets, Rhine wines, French brandies, gin, rum, Irish and Scotch whiskeys, cordials, case goods, Bass' ale, Guinness'

stout, etc. A speciality is made of handling the most noted Canadian whiskies in cask and bottle, and they also import direct the finest brands of Havana cigars. Their goods are unrivalled for purity, quality and uniform excellence, and have no superiors in this or any other market. Orders are filled promptly at the lowest possible prices, and the trade of the house now extends throughout all sections of Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West. A full staff of clerks are employed, and they also have several travelling salesmen on the road. The firm's wines, liquors and cigars are admirably adapted for a first-class bar, club and drug trade, while all goods are sold under a guarantee to give perfect satisfaction. Mr. R. H. Howard was born in Niagara. He is highly regarded in trade circles for his enterprise and integrity, and has ever been an active supporter of all measures conducive to the benefit and welfare of Toronto.

**A. COX & CO.**

FOR several years Mr. Cox has been well known in the musical business in this city, and in 1891 he started in business for himself as publisher and dealer in sheet music and music books of all kinds, and his store has become a leading headquarters for everything in the music line. The store at 35 Richmond Street West is located on the ground floor of the Wesley buildings and is admirably arranged for the business. He transacts both a wholesale and retail business, the trade extending as far as Montreal and Quebec, but mainly being confined to the Province. A speciality is made of collecting vocal and instrumental music and a large city trade is controlled. Mr. Cox was born in England and has been a resident of Toronto for the last six years, and since coming to this city has not only built up a flourishing business but has made many friends, in whose estimation he holds a high place.

**BUTLAND'S MUSIC STORE.**

THE most widely known concern in its line in Toronto is that known as Butland's Music Store, located at 37 King Street west. This business was established in 1856 by Mr. R. B. Butland, who conducted it till 1887 when Mrs. Ellen Butland became sole owner. Mrs. Butland has appointed Mr. G. M. Verrall, manager, a gentleman of long experience, and thoroughly conversant with the requirements of the most exacting patrons. The premises comprise two floors, each being 25x75 feet in size, and here is kept a carefully selected stock of sheet music, band instruments, banjos, violins,

flutes, guitars, strings and trimmings for all instruments, and Franches' & DeWitt's play books. In stock are 100,000 pieces of sheet music. Band and other instruments are imported direct from the most celebrated European houses, and the latest musical productions, sheet music, operas etc., can be obtained at Butland's music store at extremely low figures and the trade of the house now extends throughout Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. Mr. Verrall was born in Canada. He has been 15 years employed in this establishment, and is highly regarded in business and social circles. This is the oldest music store in Toronto, and is a favorite source of supply for lovers of musical literature etc.

#### MURRAY PRINTING CO.

**F**OR fine, all round work in the typographic and kindred branches, or for promptness and reliability in executing orders, few enjoy a more liberal share of recognition than the Murray Printing Company, Printers, Designers, Engravers and Bookbinders, whose office and workrooms are situated at 31 and 33 Melinda Street. This business was established in 1893, by Mr. John S. Murray, who is sole proprietor. The premises occupied comprise a spacious first floor, 60x96 feet in area, fully equipped with the latest improved machinery, including 4 cylinder and 2 Gordon presses, cutters, ruling machines, and a heavy supply of the latest styles of type. The plant is valued at over \$12,000, and the machinery is driven by electric power. Thirty-five skilled printers etc., are employed, and they carefully print books, catalogues, newspapers, legal and commercial work, posters, show cards, and labels. Fine commercial work is a specialty, and all work is executed at very moderate prices. Mr. Murray was born in Scotland. He is an honourable, energetic and able business man, and is fully conversant with the business in all its branches. The Telephone call of the office is 1226.

#### VICTORIA TEA WAREHOUSE.

**T**HE most popular and reliable Tea and Coffee establishment in Toronto, is that of Mr. Edward Lawson, whose Victoria Tea Warehouse is situated at 36 Church street. Mr. Lawson, who is the oldest merchant in his line in Toronto, opened his present establishment 30 years ago and his trade now extends throughout all sections of Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. He is a recognized authority on the values and qualities of all kinds of teas, coffees and cocoas, and a test by him is quite sufficient to finally fix the value and standard of any particular lot. He imports direct the finest Java, Mocha, and Indian Coffees, and first-class China, Japan.

India, Ceylon and Himalayan Teas. All coffees are carefully roasted and ground on the premises, and Mr. Lawson is also agent for the Cewan Coccos and Chocolate Company (Limited). His teas, coffees and cocoas are the best in the country, while the prices quoted for them are as low as the lowest. Mr. Lawson occupies a commodious two-story building and roasts his coffees daily. He makes a specialty of supplying families, restaurants, hotels, steamboats, etc., and has served the same families for the past 30 years, and is highly regarded among his patrons as an honorable and reliable business man.

#### GEO. W. GOULINLOCK.

**M**R. GEORGE W. GOULINLOCK fully deserves the distinguished success he has achieved since he commenced business in Toronto, and as an architect he occupies a foremost position. He is a native of Paris, Ontario, and served an apprenticeship with Mr. C. W. Mulligan, at Hamilton. He subsequently became proficient in his profession in other parts of Canada and the United States, and in 1887 established himself in this city, since when he has drawn the plans and superintended the erection of many buildings and handsome residences, among which are the Municipal Buildings at St. Mary, the American Watch Case Warehouse, the residences of W. A. Firstbrook at Moore Park, Wm. Scully, R. N. Gooch and Dr. A. Orr Hastings, Robert Barron's store, P. Jamieson's store; also, the residence of John G. Watson at Ayr, and many others. He promptly attends to orders and special commissions entrusted to him, and furnishes plans, specifications, sketches, estimates, detail drawings, etc., and gives superintendence to construction. Mr. Goulinlock is a member of the Ontario Association of Architects, and has always sustained a high reputation. His offices are at 53 King street east.

#### A. CLUBB & SONS.

**A** POPULAR establishment is that conducted by A. Clubb & Sons, Tobacconists, whose handsome store is located at 49 King street west. The firm is now composed of Messrs. A. Clubb and his two sons, A. F. and W. J. Clubb. The business was established in 1878, by Mr. Clubb, Senior, who a few years ago took into partnership his two sons. The firm are among the largest wholesale and retail dealers in the city in fine imported and domestic cigars, smoking tobaccos, and smokers' articles of every description; and, besides a very large city trade, control an extensive wholesale trade throughout the Province of Ontario. The special brands handled,

are Clubb's La Rosa Especial, a superior so. cigar, and a straight Havana filler, Clubb's La Doncella—three for twenty-five cents—which are the best value in Canada; and in smoking tobacco, Clubb's #1 mixture in one pound and one-half-pound tins. This summer the firm imported a large line of the famous B.B.B. briar pipes in all grades, from the plainest to those mounted in silver, with very handsome cases. The firm are large importers and carry a stock valued at about \$5,000, and handle annually upwards of 15,000 pounds of "Clubb's Mixture." Mr. Clubb, Senior, is one of our most enterprising business men, and has brought up his two sons to thorough business methods. He was born in England, and is a prominent member of St. George's Society, while his sons are natives of Toronto.



E. LARTER.

**O**NE of the best practical steam, hot water and gas fitters in Toronto is Mr. E. Larter, who has devoted many years to the business and has had a long, valuable experience. He began business on his own account several years ago on York street, and in 1891 removed to the premises now occupied at 128 Bay street, where ten skilled hands are kept constantly employed. Every branch of steam, hot water and gas fitting is undertaken by Mr. Larter, and contracts entered into for the entire fitting up of buildings and dwellings for the introduction of heat and gas, also for repairing, etc. Mr. Larter is a native Canadian and for many years has resided in Toronto. He pays particular attention to fitting up factories with steam, and fully guarantees all his work.



**M. C. PINK & CO.**

THE leading firm in Toronto actively engaged in the manufacture of wool and cotton fibre and stocks for upholsterers' and mattress makers' use is that of Messrs. M. C. Pink & Co., whose Dominion Fibre Works are situated at 12 to 16 Commercial street, and ware-rooms at 95 and 87 Lombard street. This flourishing industry was established in 1888 by Messrs. M. C. & Jos. Pink,



whose trade now extends from New Brunswick to Manitoba. The factory is a spacious two-story and basement structure 55 x 90 feet in area, fully equipped with special machinery and appliances, operated by a forty horse-power steam engine. Here eighteen hands are employed who turn out large quantities of wool and cotton fibre which is unsurpassed for quality and uniform excellence. The machinery of the factory cost over \$3,000. Messrs. M. C. Pink & Co., also deal largely in scrap iron, old metals, rubber, tanners' offal, etc., and are graders of woolen and cotton rags, paper stock and tailors' clippings. Orders are immediately filled at the lowest possible prices, and all goods are fully warranted to be exactly as described. Messrs. M. C. & Jos. Pink were born in Cleveland, Ohio, but have resided in Toronto for the last five years. They are young and honorable business men, and will merit the large measure of success that has attended their well directed efforts.

**CHAS. WARD.**

THE special attention of our readers is directed to the establishment of Mr. Charles Ward, manufacturer of steam and water power motors, marine and stationary engines, etc., whose office and works are located at 108 Adelaide street east. Mr. Ward established himself in business in this city eighteen years ago,

originally at 275 Queen street east, and removed to his present quarters in 1890, where he operates a most perfectly equipped plant. His premises are 20 x 70 feet in dimensions, containing all the necessary machinery and appliances required in his business. He manufactures steam and water power motors under his own patents, as well as marine and stationary engines. His patent improved motor starts unrivalled for economy, efficiency and speed, and is being largely used in this country in the running of light manufacturing plants. He also devotes special attention to the making of patterns and models, and being a master mechanic of many years experience he is thoroughly equipped to render the most satisfactory service in his special line of business. Mr. Ward was born in New York State and came to Toronto many years ago, when he learned his trade under his father. He is a gentleman in the prime of life and is a business man of marked enterprise and ability.

**F. W. RATHBONE.**

AMONG the enterprising young business men of Toronto is Mr. F. W. Rathbone, importer and dealer in men's furnishings and outfitter, who embarked in his present enterprise in 1884. He is located at the corner Leader Lane and King street, where he occupies a handsome store, 25 x 45 feet in area, and he is always one of the first to introduce the new goods and novelties in his line to the citizens. He keeps in stock fine dress shirts, underwear in silk and wool, hosiery, gloves, collars, cuffs, and everything necessary to complete the dress of a gentleman, and makes a specialty of outing suits, also tourists', base ball, cricket, cycling, tennis, oarsmen's suits, etc., and the finest English cashmere and other vests, and imports the finest grades of underwear. Shirts are manufactured to order by Mr. Rathbone, and the best satisfaction given as to quality of material, fine workmanship and perfection of fit and popular prices prevail. Mr. Rathbone is a native of Warwickshire, England, and during his residence in this city has always sustained a high reputation.

**GILMOR & CASEY.**

MESSRS. Gilmor & Casey are popularly known as one of the leading firms of house and sign painters and paper hangers in the city, and have achieved a high reputation for splendid work. They have both had a long, valuable experience in the business, and in the execution of orders are systematic and reliable. They are talented artists, and during the ten years they have been established in business have executed a vast amount of work in this city and vicinity. They are located at

107-109 Victoria street, where they occupy spacious premises, carry a full stock of materials and furnish estimates for all work in their line. Messrs. Gilmor & Casey make to order all kinds and sizes plain and fancy glass and wooden signs and manufacture brass and nickel signs, also attend to orders for graining, paper-drawing, kalsomining and fresco and decorative painting. Messrs. R. A. Gilmor and James Casey are both natives of Canada. They are both artists of conspicuous talent and are constantly introducing new ideas and new designs, and blend colors and tints so as to produce the most pleasing effects.

**J. JOHNSON.**

ONE of the best tailors in Toronto is Mr. J. Johnson, who occupies the ground floor of the three-story brick building, 50 x 75 feet in area, at 799 and 801 King street west. Mr. Johnson has had a long experience as a designer and cutter of gentlemen's wearing apparel and can always guarantee a perfect fit. A fine display is made of elegant woollens, worsteds, trousseurs, overcoatings, vestings, etc., which have been imported direct and are in such variety that all tastes can be gratified. He is a first-class merchant tailor, and among his patrons are many of the leading business men of the city. A native of Newark, England, Mr. Johnson has resided in Toronto some years, and is an active member of the Sons of England. He keeps in stock a full assortment of gentlemen's furnishings, including all the novelties and the latest and most fashionable styles.

**J. L. HOPKINS & SON.**

AMONG the prosperous business houses in Toronto that of Messrs. J. L. Hopkins & Son, dealers and jobbers in fine cigars, tobaccos, etc., is well worth mentioning, not only on account of the high character of the firm, but the honorable methods which characterize their business operations. The business was inaugurated in 1885 by Kernell & Co., and three years after they sold out to the present proprietors. The premises, a two-story building, has a depth of thirty feet, and the store is popularly known as the "Hole in the Wall." The firm carry an extensive assortment of fine imported and domestic cigars, cigarettes, chewing and smoking tobaccos, pipes of all kinds and smokers' articles. They are the sole proprietors of the celebrated "El Bueno" cigar, and make a specialty of the "Fascination," "Mia Rosa," and other popular brands. The trade comes from the city and throughout the Province, and both members of the firm are well known as business men and citizens. The location of the Hole in the Wall is 167½ King street east.



**RUTHERFORD & HARRISON.**

**D**AIRY products, butter, cheese and eggs are the foundation of a very large business industry in the city of Toronto. Prominent among the leading firms engaged in the wholesale produce commission trade is that of Messrs. Rutherford & Harrison, whose store is at 76 Front street east. This business was founded November, 1892, by Messrs. W. A. Rutherford and F. H. Harrison, who have since secured a liberal patronage, their trade extending throughout the Dominion and parts of the United States. They deal largely at wholesale in butter, eggs, cheese, poultry, lard, dried apples, hams, bacon, etc., and solicit orders and consignments, and when shipping produce customers are requested to always notify the firm. Liberal advances are made on consignments, while quick sales and immediate returns are the fixed rule of this responsible house. Mr. Rutherford is a native of Newmarket, Ont., while Mr. Harrison was born in Millbank, Perth County, Ont., the former having resided in Toronto ten and the latter six years. They are honourable and reliable commission merchants, who stand high in the business circles of the city.

**REID, TAYLOR & BAYNE.**

**A** REPRESENTATIVE importing firm in the millinery and fancy dry goods trade in Toronto is that of Reid, Taylor & Bayne, which was established in 1886. The members of the firm are all natives of Scotland, Mr. Reid from Edinburgh, Messrs. Taylor and Bayne hailing from Aberdeen and Inverness respectively. They are enterprising and energetic business men, and so well have they succeeded that they now rank as leaders in their line. Mr. Taylor is buyer, Mr. Bayne represents the firm on route from Hamilton to Windsor, Mr. Reid superintends office and warehouse management. The headquarters of this thriving concern are at Nos. 9 and 11 Wellington street east, in a massive building, containing five floors, equipped with every facility for handling a vast volume of business. They also have a large branch establishment in Montreal, located at Nos. 210-214 St. Jan. street. Ten travelling salesmen are kept busy on the road, and when once a retail dealer begins to handle the goods of this house they continue to do so, for they find that their customers want them. The various departments are attractively arranged throughout, a large and fine assortment of goods being displayed for close inspection, and no novelty or staple fails of representation here. An ample staff of clerks is employed, and customers are assured of courteous attention, a desire to please being at all times manifested here. The firm directly imports its goods from the great manufactur-

ing centres of Great Britain, France, Germany and the United States, making semi-annual trips regularly for that purpose. Terms and prices are unusually moderate. The house of Messrs. Reid, Taylor & Bayne is one of our leading and most solid commercial institutions.

**GREENE, McLAREN & CO.**

**A**MONG the most prominent wholesale houses in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. Greene, McLaren & Co., importers and wholesale dealers in boots, shoes and rubbers, whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 50 Front street west. Messrs. R. H. Greene and J. A. McLaren first commenced business in 1887, at Hamilton, Ontario, and eventually, in 1890, removed to Toronto. They have had long experience in the boot and shoe trade, and possess influential connections both in Canada and the United States. The premises comprise a spacious four-story building 50 x 125 feet in area, elegantly fitted up, the first floor being devoted to the handsome offices and sample rooms, while the second floor is used for the goods, the third floor for heavy work, and the fourth floor for rubbers and overshoes. A specialty is made of gent's fancy slippers. Messrs. Greene, McLaren & Co. handle only medium and first-class goods, and the trade of the firm now extends throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and the North-West. The proprietors are influential and reliable merchants, with whom it is always pleasant and profitable to deal.

**DOMINION EMBROIDERY CO., Ltd.**

**A** BRANCH of industry of an artistic and unique character in the city of Toronto is the manufacture of decorative embroideries. In this connection special reference is made to the Dominion Embroidery Co., Limited, whose salesrooms and factory are situated at 27 Front street west. This Company was incorporated in 1891, under the Limited Liability Act, with ample capital, Mr. P. A. Brauss being the President, and Mr. John C. Kelly, Secretary. The Dominion Embroidery Company manufactures all kinds of table and piano covers, scarfs, antimacassars, guipures, buggy dusters, embroidered flannels; also, Swiss French and German decorative art embroideries, ladies' dresses, capes, cloaks and mantles; a specialty being made of embroidery, beading and jetting for the trade. Twenty sewing and embroidering machines and twenty-five skilled hands are constantly employed. The Company's Swiss embroidery loom does the most beautiful work on flannels, China

silks, cashmeres, caps, ladies' dresses, etc., and has no superior in America or Europe. Messrs. Brauss and Kelly are ably assisted by Mr. Kichling, the designer, who is thoroughly conversant with every detail of this artistic industry and the requirements of the most critical patrons.

**ROBERT GREEN.**

**A** FIRST-CLASS Tailoring Establishment in every respect is that of Mr. Robert Green, whose beautiful store is centrally located at 401 Yonge street. Mr. Green is a Scotchman by birth, and established himself in business here in 1884. His store is 25 x 60 feet in dimensions, and occupies the ground floor of a three-story brick building. He carries an elegant stock of domestic and foreign suitings, and these include Scotch and English tweeds, serges, meltons, chevots, diagonals, worsteds and broadcloths, besides a choice selection of trouserings and overcoatings adapted to all seasons. He controls a very large patronage among the best class of trade, and always secures a perfect fit. Mr. Green is most particular to use none but the best trimmings and workmanship, and every garment receives the most thorough inspection before leaving his premises. His prices are always reasonable, and he employs from ten to twelve expert workmen. His store is handsomely fitted up and everything is in keeping with the first-class trade of which he is the recipient.

**TORONTO NOVELTY CO.**

**A** LEADING house in its line in this city is that of the Toronto Novelty Co., Importers and Dealers in Agents' Specialties. This business was founded in 1892, by Mr. James E. Anderson, the proprietor, and from the outset success has rewarded his ably directed efforts. Mr. Anderson commenced operations at 32 Temperance street, and subsequently a removal was made to the premises now occupied, the third flat of the four-story building, No. 120 Yonge street. Here a large stock of goods is carried comprising fancy goods, novelties, household articles, musical instruments, toys, games, tricks, etc., of every conceivable kind. The house is the headquarters for agents, and live, active business men are always wanted. Mr. Anderson has the best selling articles on the market, and the trade is widely diffused throughout the Dominion. Mr. Anderson is a native of Canada and has resided in Toronto fifteen years, and has always sustained a high reputation. The Company publishes a large illustrated catalogue, which will be sent to the trade or agents in Canada on application.

**SELBY & CO.**

ONE of the most important and reliable houses in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs. Selby & Co., Stationers and Publishers. This enterprise was established in 1870, by Messrs. Selby & Co., who have since secured a permanent and influential patronage, their trade extending throughout all sections of Canada. The store is spacious and well-appointed and is fully stocked with all kinds of blank books, paper, envelopes, ink, pens, office supplies, kindergarten goods, school aids, books, etc. They promptly furnish estimates for all descriptions of blank books, ledgers, journals, invoice books, and guarantee entire satisfaction to patrons, at very moderate prices. Printing, lithographing and engraving are also undertaken by the firm, and all work is accomplished in a first-class manner. The business is both wholesale and retail, and a full staff is employed. Their blank books are unrivalled for strength, quality, durability and convenience, and are general favorites with banks, corporations, merchants, etc. Mail orders are immediately attended to, and the stock carried is valued at \$8,000 to \$10,000. Messrs. Selby & Co. are widely known for their just methods, and are the Toronto agents for Milton, Bradley & Co., Springfield, Mass. They were formerly located at 42 Church street, but have recently removed to 23 Richmond street west.

**DICKSON & TOWNSEND.**

A PROMINENT and one of the most reliable firms of General Auctioneers, Valuers and Real Estate Agents in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. Dickson & Townsend, whose offices and salesrooms are at 22 King street west, ground floor Manning's Arcade. This prosperous business was established several years ago, and in 1887 Messrs. Wm. Dickson and Charles J. Townsend became the proprietors. They are special auctioneers for the sale of real estate and art goods of every description, and for the better class of sales at private residences; and are also the special auctioneers for the High Court of Justice. The premises occupied are situated in the very heart of the city and are second to none for beauty and utility in the Dominion and cover over 3,000 square feet in area, and are heated by steam and lighted by electricity. All branches of this important business are promptly attended to by one of the partners. This is the largest auction house in Toronto, and goods entrusted to the firm always realize the highest ruling prices. Mr. Townsend was born in Brantford, Ontario, while Dickson is of Scotch descent; the former having resided in Toronto thirty and the latter forty years, and both have been connected with the auction

business for about twenty years. They are men of the strictest business integrity, who are very popular in the best commercial circles of the city. Telephone call of the office is 2972.

**THE DOMINION TRANSPORT CO. Ltd.**

ONE of the leading and representative concerns in the city of Toronto engaged in general forwarding of freight, merchandise, etc., is that known as The Dominion Transport Company, whose office is at 26 Front street east. This progressive Company was incorporated in 1884, with ample capital; Mr. Wm. B. Smith, General Manager, and Mr. W. Walker, the Toronto Superintendent. The Company owns over 100 horses, and employs 50 men, and has well-kept barns on Lorne Street. A general forwarding business is conducted and the Company is cartage agent in Toronto for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The transfer of safes, engines, boilers, machinery, monuments, plate glass, etc., and all heavy hauling is executed expeditiously, at lowest rates, and refers to the leading business men of Toronto for its splendid service. General teaming is contracted for, and consignments of all kinds of merchandise for reshipment are carefully attended to. In connection with this the Company have purchased the Hill patents for steel wagons, and also for cushioned steel dumping-carts for the Dominion of Canada, and are prepared to furnish them on most reasonable terms. These have no superiors on the market and for strength and durability cannot be surpassed. Mr. Walker, the superintendent, is widely known in business circles for his strict integrity, and brings to the business that thorough knowledge which is indispensable to success. The headquarters of the company are at Montreal.

**SPRIGGS & BUCHANAN.**

IN the importation and sale of saddlery goods in this city, a representative firm is that of Messrs. Spriggs & Buchanan, whose offices and warehouse are situated at 20 Front street east. This prosperous business was established May 4th, 1888, by Messrs. Henry Spriggs and F. Buchanan, who possess influential connections and perfect facilities. The premises occupied comprise a superior four story building 22 x 119 feet in area; the first and second floors being utilized for hardware and horse-clothing, the third for blankets, while the fourth floor is devoted to the manufacture of collars. They keep constantly on hand a heavy and choice stock of saddlery hardware, collars,

blankets, saddles, bridles, whips, etc., and their trade, which is steadily increasing, extends throughout Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West. Only first-class goods in all departments are handled, and the prices quoted are extremely moderate. Thirteen persons are employed in this establishment, and orders are promptly filled. Mr. Buchanan was born in Ireland, in 1851, and Mr. Spriggs, in London, England, in 1848. Both partners are highly esteemed for their integrity, and their future prospects in the saddlery trade of Toronto are of the most favorable character. Mr. Spriggs is a member of the Sons of England and Workmen, while Mr. Buchanan is an Odd Fellow and Grand Treasurer of the Royal Templars of Ontario. Church, Parliament, Winchester and Sherbourne street cars from Union Station pass the firm's premises every few minutes.

**TARBOX BROS.**

A BUSINESS that has grown steadily in importance the past few years is that in which Tarbox Bros. are engaged, manufacturing and dealing in household specialties. This business was established in 1886 by the firm, and under the management of Mr. U. P. Tarbox, a large trade with jobbing and wholesale houses throughout the whole of Canada has been secured. The premises occupied comprise one flat 50 x 100 in area, in the Truth building, 73 Adelaide street west. The specialties manufactured and dealt in are "Tarbox" self-wringing mop, "Tarbox" pillow sham holder, also mop cloths, pinless window clothes lines, dish mops, cooking utensils, adjustable window shade holders, etc. All these various articles are substantial and durable, and are the best selling goods on the market. Mr. Tarbox is a native of Maine, and was born in Biddeford; he is a wide-awake business man and enjoys the esteem and confidence of all having dealings with him.

**THE PHOTO SUPPLY CO.**

AMONG the new enterprises recently established in this city, that of the Photo Supply Co. is well deserving of special mention. The business was established in 1892, with Mr. T. D. Manches, proprietor, and R. Petman, Jr., manager, and in July of '93 Mr. D. J. Howell bought out the old firm, and has since conducted the business under the old name. It is one of the leading concerns in the city handling and dealing in photo supplies, and Mr. Howell is fast building up a large trade which comes from all parts of the Province of Ontario. For the purposes of the business a store 50 x 160 feet in area, situated at 54 Yonge St., is occupied and equipped with every modern convenience. The stock of goods is

all new, large and complete, comprising everything in the line of photographic materials, and supplies for professional photographers and amateurs, including cameras, kodaks, etc., of the latest improved patterns and styles. Prices are governed by moderation, and orders are filled promptly at the shortest notice. Mr. Howell is an enterprising young business man, born in Liverpool, N. S. and has resided in Toronto twelve years. He has been engaged in this line of business five years, in his present location since July last.

### C. A. MUERRE & CO.

IT is within the bounds of verity to say that no house in Toronto makes a finer display of high-class works of art than that of Messrs. C. A. Muerrle & Co., importers, manufacturers and dealers in Remarque proof etchings, oil paintings, engravings, etc. This business was founded in 1888 by the firm, and from its inception has been successful and prosperous and the store become a fashionable resort for the best classes of the community and lovers of art. A four-story building, 50x100 feet, is occupied at 9 King street west, and every convenience is provided for the accommodation of patrons and manufacturing purposes. The gallery presents a handsome, attractive appearance. It is tastefully fitted up and fully stocked with the highest class of oil paintings, by European and American artists, also steel engravings, etchings, water colors, Remarque proof etchings, photographs, art goods, also picture mats, picture frames, etc. The firm also import and deal in English and German mirror plate and make a special business of card edge gilding. A large picture frame business is done by the firm, and a number of skilled workmen are employed in the manufacturing department on the second floor of the building. Mirror, picture and photo frames of all kinds and sizes, plain and ornamental, are kept in stock and made to order, and as popular prices prevail, business is active and brisk.

### W. CURRAN.

ONE of the best practical hatters in Toronto is Mr. W. Curran, who has been active in the business for a period of ten years, and in that time made a name and reputation greatly redounding to his credit. The business he is now conducting was established in 1885, at 96 Yonge street, by A. E. Curran, and in 1886 came under the control of the Curran Brothers. The firm was subsequently dissolved and he succeeded to it, carried it on until 1889, when he sold out to H. & W. Watson. This firm continued the business until some months ago, when he again secured control, by purchase, and has since built up a fine patronage. The premises

now occupied in the Grand Opera House building, on Adelaide street, consists of three flats each 15 x 30 feet, admirably fitted up as salesroom and for manufacturing purposes. Mr. Curran makes a specialty of fine silk hats to order, also Derby and felt hats, which are made in a superior manner, in the latest London block, and are perfect in fit, style and finish. Hats of all kinds are also blocked and remodelled to the latest style, and silk hats dressed while you wait. Mr. Curran is a careful, painstaking business man and is ever attentive and unremitting to render the best satisfaction. He is very moderate in his prices, and among his permanent patrons are many of the best citizens of Toronto and the surrounding cities and towns. Mr. Curran was born and raised in Toronto, and is popular as a business man having hosts of friends.

### G. R. RENFREW & CO.

IN the manufacture and sale of all kinds of fine Furs, Sealskins, etc. in Toronto, the representative and most noted house is that of Messrs. G. R. Renfrew & Co., whose office and store are situated at 71 and 73 King street. The headquarters of this popular firm are at 35 and 37 Buade street, Quebec. This business was founded in 1837, and the present copartners are Messrs. G. R. and A. E. Renfrew and J. H. Holt, who are recognized authorities in the prevailing fashions of furs and fur goods. Messrs. G. R. Renfrew & Co. are the largest exporters of raw furs in Canada, and are thus enabled to select the most suitable skins for home trade, which fact gives them a great advantage over firms that purchase only a few raw skins. The Toronto branch is spacious and fully equipped, and the stock carried is the largest and choicest in the Dominion. They are Furriers to Her Majesty the Queen, and the stock includes ladies' furs, muffs, caps, circulars, fur lined sleigh robes, rugs, bearskins, tiger and leopard mats, deer heads and antlers, Indian curiosities, while a specialty is made of sealskin sacques, dolmans, jackets, etc. Only the choicest seal skins of the best London dye are used, and the garments produced are unrivalled for quality, elegance, fit and workmanship. The firm's ladies' seal skins and coats are cut by practical pattern makers, and every garment may be returned if not satisfactory. Orders by mail are immediately attended to, and the prices charged for all goods are extremely moderate. Goods are sent on approval when desired to any part of the country, and complete satisfaction is guaranteed the most critical patrons. The following is an extract from the London Graphic, 16th August, 1884, on the Dominion of Canada, by the Marquis of Lorne, K.G. etc: "There are interesting institutions and good shops to be seen in Quebec, notably the store of Renfrew & Co., where a

souvenir of Canada in the shape of a robe or article of any kind of fur may be obtained at a reasonable price." The partners were born in Canada, and are widely known for their strict integrity. Persons requiring any kind of fine furs should patronize this house, which offers advantages very difficult to be secured elsewhere. They issue annually a concise illustrated catalogue, which is forwarded promptly to any address upon application. Tourists may find it an advantage to visit this store before leaving the city.

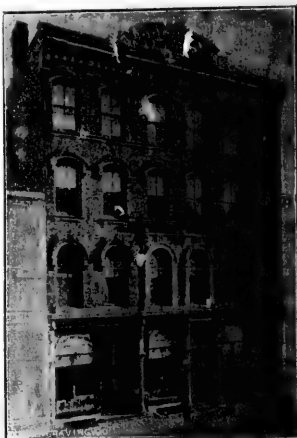
### THOMAS, JAMES & AVERY.



ONE of the leading manufacturers of Needles and Fishing Tackle in the city of Toronto is the representative firm of Messrs. Thomas, James & Avery, whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 64 Bay street. This business was established in 1893, and is the district branch for Canada of the celebrated English firms of S. Thomas & Sons, manufacturers of the famous New Agonic-Eyed Needles. British Mills, Redditch, England, and W. M. James & Co., Limited, fine Fishing Tackle, Critterion Works, Redditch, England. These goods are imported direct from the English factories, and the trade, which is wholesale, extends throughout the entire Dominion of Canada. This firm's Agonic-Eyed Needles have no edge or burr, therefore do not cut the thread. They also import Thomas' tailors' and harness needles, which are unrivalled for reliability and uniform excellence, and have been on the market for the last sixty years. The firm's fishing tackle is unsurpassed and is admirably suited for a first-class trade. Messrs. S. Thomas & Sons, and W. M. James & Co. (Limited), have a branch in New York. Messrs. Thomas, James & Avery promptly fill orders at the lowest possible figures. Mr. J. H. Avery, the Toronto Manager, was born in England. He speaks very highly of Canada's resources and enterprise, and already has made many friends, owing to his promptness and strict probity. The business of Messrs. Thomas, James & Avery is marked by a steady increase, and its present prosperous condition augurs well for the future.

## GEORGE COLEMAN.

**T**HOUGH established many years and widely known, our work would be quite incomplete without making special mention of Toronto's popular caterer, Mr. G. Coleman, whose fine Confectionery and Refreshment Rooms are so centrally located at 113 King street west. Mr. Coleman is an Englishman by birth, who came to this country many years ago, and having a thorough knowledge of the confectionery, pastryman, and caterers' arts, founded this establishment under the present title



in 1852. The premises are spacious, comprising an extra building 94 x 22 feet in dimensions, suitably arranged into separate departments, where employment is furnished for 25 assistants. The salesrooms are handsomely fitted up with fine plate glass windows, arranged into separate departments and a broad winding stairway leads to the second floor, where there is another refreshment room 50 x 25 feet. They are furnished elegantly, handsomely painted and decorated and finished in cherry wood. Fine show cases contain the choicest of confectionery, fresh every day, and this establishment is the acknowledged resort for ladies while on shopping

tours, and a very extensive patronage is received from lady visitors. Mr. Coleman is held in the highest estimation by the community for his courteous and affable manners, and the success he has won is a just tribute to his ability, industry and perseverance.

## THE GREAT LONDON AND LIVERPOOL ONE PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE.

**T**HE Great London and Liverpool One Price Clothing House is the appropriate name adopted by Mr. Geo. Duffy, the manager of his popular Toronto establishment, located at 109 King street east. He opened this establishment in 1891, and already has secured a liberal and permanent patronage, owing to the superiority and low prices of his clothing. The premises occupied comprise a spacious four-story building, 30 x 100 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to men's ready made clothing, the second to boys' clothing, while the third and fourth floors are utilized for factory purposes. Mr. Duffy manufactures a general line of men's and boys' clothing and employs in his establishment thirty-seven hands. The business is both wholesale and retail, and this is the only English clothing house in the city of Toronto. The proprietors also have stores in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, London, Liverpool, Manchester and Leeds. Mr. Duffy is a Canadian and has been engaged in the clothing business for the last seventeen years. He is highly regarded for his strict probity, and is very popular with his numerous customers. A complete line of gents' furnishings and genuine macintoshes is always carried, also a full line of gents' furs.

## N. T. LYON.

**A**N old established and influential concern in this city is that of N. T. Lyon, designer, manufacturer and wholesale dealer in memorial windows and all descriptions of stained glass, beveled glass, etc. The business was established upwards of thirty years ago by Mr. N. T. Lyon, who is now ably assisted by his two sons, Theo. A. and Arthur L. Lyon. The office and warehouses of the concern are located at 141 to 143 Church street, and the factory at 14 Dalhousie street. The warehouses and factory are among the finest and best equipped on the continent, employing in all some thirty skilled artisans, while the beautiful specimens of artistic handicraft produced by this widely known concern are to be found in all parts of the Dominion. Here are manufactured beveled and stained glass for all purposes of art decoration, metallic work of all descriptions, and memorial windows; and the house devotes itself especially to

the designing and setting of memorial and stained glass work both for public and private buildings. Among the many beautiful specimens of its handiwork to be seen in this city are stained glass and memorial windows in the Parliament House, the Canada Life Building, Bank of Commerce, St. Stephen's Church and St. John's Church. Mr. Lyon is of English birth, while his sons are Canadians, and their names stand high in the business and financial circles of Canada.

## SULLIVAN'S HOTEL.

**O**NE of the most popular hotels in Toronto is Sullivan's Hotel, located at the corner of Bathurst and King streets. This hostelry was opened in 1847 as the Wheat Sheaf Hotel. The building was subsequently rebuilt and the name changed to the present. Mr. Hugh Sullivan, the proprietor, is well liked in this city, and as a host always sustained a high reputation. The building is of brick, 48 x 100 feet in dimensions and three stories high. All the rooms are light and airy and tastefully furnished. The dining room is also a fine apartment, while the bar is admirably fitted up and the best of wines, liquors and cigars only kept in stock, and this house has the reputation of being one of the best stopping places in the city for the rates charged. Mr. Sullivan has been raised in Toronto and is popular with all who make his well-conducted house their home when in the city.

## MUNTZ &amp; BEATTY.

**A**MONG the leading insurance agents of Toronto are Messrs. Muntz & Beatty, gentlemen who have spent the best part of their lives in this important line, and they are considered among the most able underwriters in the city. Messrs. Muntz & Beatty occupy extensive offices at 15 Toronto street, and employ a large staff of clerks. The question of insurance has become of vast importance to property owners and merchants throughout the country. It protects both rich and poor, and enables industry and enterprise to persevere and secure the results of their labors and to render them available for still greater prosperity. Messrs. Muntz & Beatty are chief agents for the Caledonian Fire Insurance Company of Edinburgh, Scotland, whose head office for Canada is in Montreal. This Company was founded in 1305, incorporated by Royal Charter and empowered by Acts of Parliament; authorized capital, \$5,000,000; invested accumulations over \$10,000,000. They are also agents for Queen Insurance Company of America; assets upwards of \$3,000,000; deposit with

Dominion Government for protection of Canadian policy holders, \$350,000; H. J. Mudge, Resident Manager, Montreal. Messrs. Muntz and Beatty are held in the highest estimation for their strict honor and integrity and have achieved a prominence accorded only to those whose operations have been conducted on just principles.

### ALEX. LOCHORE.

THE fashionable circles of society in Toronto seek accurate styles and the correct fashion as soon as originated in London. In this connection we desire to make special reference to the popular merchant tailor, Mr. Alex. Lochore, whose handsome establishment, having a front of fifty feet, is at 7 and 9 Leader Lane. Mr. Lochore has had a valuable experience in his business, having for sixteen years had charge of the tailoring and woolen department of the well known house of Messrs. W. A. Murray & Co., and commenced business in his present stand in the spring of 1890, where he has been eminently successful. The stock of goods displayed comprises the finest imported British woolsens and worsteds and everything in the line of men's wear, while prices are extremely moderate. Mr. Lochore makes a specialty of ladies' riding habits and he also makes a specialty of liveries, and among his patrons are the leading and most prominent families in the city. He is an honorable business man, a correct cutter and thorough artistic merchant tailor.

### S. McCaffrey.

AMONG the successful and prosperous mercantile establishments of Toronto is that of Miss S. McCaffrey at No. 362 Queen street west. Miss McCaffrey inaugurated the business twenty-five years ago, and had previously been in the same line of trade for thirteen years at another location on the same street, and is very popular. She carries a large line of dry goods, staple and fancy, and a superb stock of millinery goods, and possesses most excellent taste and judgment, and makes a fine display of goods in her handsome store. In the assortment of goods will be found the latest modes in trimmed and untrimmed hats and bonnets, also ribbons, plumes, flowers, silks, satins, velvets and elegant trimmings. Miss McCaffrey makes and trims hats in the newest manner, giving great satisfaction, and she also carries in stock an elegant assortment of staple and fancy dry goods, embracing a line of finest dress fabrics; also hosiery, gloves, etc., and no lady need go further than the store of Miss McCaffrey to obtain the best and finest goods in the city. At this establishment is also made

any desired style of dress, gown or mantles, at as favorable prices as can be had elsewhere. The premises occupied are 60x30 feet. She employs two assistants, and no detail of her work is omitted or slighted. Her stock is of the value of several thousand dollars. She is also agent for the well known house of G. S. Lucas & Son, dyers and cleaners. Though a native of Ireland, Miss McCaffrey has resided in Toronto for thirty-eight years, and has so managed the business in which she has long engaged that she enjoys an excellent trade among the very best people.

### W. H. ARMITAGE.

IN reviewing the trade resources of any large city, such as Toronto, one cannot fail to be impressed with the important part played by all houses which make a specialty of supplying the people with pure and wholesome food products. Foremost among such in this city is the establishment of Mr. W. H. Armitage, dealer in choice groceries and provisions at No. 373 Yonge street. This gentleman was formerly located on Shuter street, but the rapid and continued growth of his trade necessitated a removal to his present more commodious quarters. His store is 20x75 feet in dimensions, tastefully fitted up. Several assistants are employed. A vast and varied stock is constantly carried on hand, comprising fresh crop and pure teas, coffees and spices; sugars, syrups and molasses, canned and bottled goods, condiments, pickles, relishes, saucers, jams, jellies and other table delicacies; fine dairy butter, cheese and eggs; the best brands of family flour, oatmeal, cornmeal; fruits and vegetables in season, game, poultry, smoked meats and general provisions, and the house is noted for the lowness of its prices. Mr. Armitage is a native of Canada, and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

### BURK & GRAHAM.

TORONTO, as the great central metropolis of Ontario, is constantly enlarging the scope of her influence and the volume of her commerce and industries and has need for additional capital and financial facilities. Among her prominent banking houses is that of Messrs. Burk & Graham, whose headquarters are located in the Confederation Life Building, with branch offices in Alliston and Creemore. The business was established in 1886 by Messrs. Albert A. Burk and John A. Graham, the present co-partners, on a strong financial footing, and is to-day one of the leading private banking institutions in the city. The firm transact a general banking business, making a specialty of discounting first class commercial paper, their long connection with some of the leading

business houses giving them access to a good supply of strong paper bearing attractive rates. They have a large clientele both in and out of the city, and the superior financial connections enjoyed by them give them unexcelled facilities for offering every advantage and convenience to their many patrons. The firm also attend to collections as well as every department of legitimate banking. Both partners having been engaged in the banking business the greater part of their lives and enjoying superior advantages, are recognized as among our most conservative and well-informed financiers, and are highly respected in the higher social and financial circles of the city.

### MRS. M. E. FINNIGAN.

A POPULAR establishment doing a fine business in the boys' clothing house, is that of Mrs. M. E. Finnigan, situated at 337 Church street. The premises occupied are admirably arranged and every convenience is provided for patrons. Mrs. Finnigan, who is a practical, experienced, business woman, makes a specialty of making boys' suits to order in all the latest fashionable styles, and also keeps a large stock on sale. She also pays particular attention to cutting, fitting and making dresses and mantles to order, and during her business career, extending over a period of eight years, she has not only achieved a wide reputation, but secured a first-class fashionable patronage. Skilled hands are employed and the garments made in her establishment are perfect in fit, style and materials. She is moderate in her prices and is doing a splendid business. Mrs. Finnigan is agent for the British American Dyeing Co. of Montreal.

### G. PIDDINGTON.

ONE of the best practical jewelers in this city is Mr. George Piddington, who is also a general workman in precious metals. Mr. Piddington came from Birmingham, England, his birthplace, to Toronto forty years ago, and since 1887 has been established in business. For a time he was located on Adelaide street, whence he subsequently removed to the premises now occupied at 34 Elm street. He manufactures jewelry of all kinds and is noted for his first-class work in the mounting and repairing pipes, canes, etc. He is endorsed and highly recommended for his skill and ingenuity, and his splendid work is greatly admired and commended. As a general workman in gold and silver he is pronounced one of the best in the city and his services are always in request. He employs several skilled assistants and is doing a prosperous business.

**L. ECKLEY.**

**A**MONG the successful business men in the cigar and tobacco trade in Toronto is Mr. L. Eckley, who is located at 67 King street, where he occupies a fine store, fitted up with plate glass show cases and ornamental fixtures. This business was established in 1883 by Mr. C. Eckley and two years ago came under the sole control of the present proprietor. Mr. Eckley imports and deals in Havana, American and domestic cigars of all the leading popular brands, also chewing and smoking tobacco, cigarettes, wood and meerschau pipes, snuffs and smokers' articles. He makes a specialty of box trade, and among the popular brands of cigars always kept in stock are "L. Eckley," "Oscar y Amanda," "Virginia," etc. All the goods sold by Mr. Eckley are of a superior quality and lovers of a good cigar can find them in this establishment. A native of Frederickton, N.B., Mr. Eckley has resided in Toronto for some time and is widely and popularly known.

**R. & T. CROSS.**

**T**HE business of supplying the citizens of Toronto with fuel is represented by Messrs. R. & T. Cross, wholesale and retail dealers in coal and wood, with office and yards Nos. 60 to 64 Edward street. They carry a heavy stock of anthracite in egg, stove and nut sizes, also bituminous coal, and guarantee patrons full weight and measure. The coal is carefully prepared for family use and manufacturing purposes, and the lowest market prices are always quoted. They also carry a large stock of cord, sawed and split hard and soft wood, which is supplied at the lowest rates. The Messrs. Cross are both natives of Ireland, but have lived in Toronto most of their lives, a period of 40 years; and during the time they have been associated in business, a period of 14 years, have won the respect and esteem of a large circle of patrons. Telephone call, 2422.

**CHARLES SWIFT.**

**M**R. CHARLES SWIFT, military boot and shoe maker, of 100 Church street, established his present business some few years ago, and is to-day patronized by all the military officers quartered in or around Toronto. Making this feature of his business a leading specialty, he has brought this important part of a soldier's outfit to a point bordering on perfection. He makes a specialty of an easy walking shoe of his own design, and makes that fit like a glove, and for durability and stylish appearance has no equal. He also makes lasts to fit any foot, and uses only the best leather and trimmings. He

carries in stock a choice line of boots and shoes for gentlemen's wear, also leggings, blanco, metal polish, blackings, etc., and employs six skilled workmen regularly, and repairing is also neatly and promptly attended to. Mr. Swift is English by birth, an enterprising business man, and highly respected by a large circle of patrons and friends.

**FLEMING ESTATE.**

**A**MONG the prominent seedmen and florists of the city of Toronto, is the establishment known as the Fleming Estate, whose salesrooms are situated at 358 Yonge street. This business was established as far back as 1836 by Mr. James Fleming, who came to Toronto from Scotland, and died in 1887. He was succeeded by his executors, who are continuing the business under the title of the Fleming Estate. As seedmen and florists they grow a large assortment of rare greenhouse plants, hardy roses, herbaceous plants, etc., and also import seeds, bulbs and palms. They likewise deal largely in garden, flower and field seeds, and make a specialty of cut roses and funeral designs. The premises comprise a three-story building, 50 x 20 in area, where a choice stock of seeds, cut flowers, etc., is always on hand; while the greenhouse in the rear has an area of 10,000 square feet. Mr. Stevens, the manager, is a native of Toronto. He is an energetic business man, who has gained the entire confidence of his customers, and his success as manager of the estate is well merited. The Telephone call of the office is 534.

**J. R. LEE.**

**T**HE pharmacies located at the corner of Queen and Seaton streets, and at No. 407 King street east, have for the past twenty-five years been recognized as among the most reliable drug establishments in the city of Toronto. The present proprietor, Mr. J. R. Lee, founded the business in 1868. He is a graduate of the Ontario College of Pharmacy, and has had many years experience as a dispensing chemist. His stores are very handsome and attractive in their fittings and appointments, which include elegant plate glass show cases, etc. The pure and superior assortment of drugs, medicines and pharmaceutical preparations are supplied from the most reputable sources, and are selected with special reference to strength and freshness. In the line of toilet and fancy articles, Mr. Lee's enterprise has placed within the reach of his patrons the best articles that can be purchased. He puts up a valuable line of pharmaceutical compounds, and personally superintends the prescription department, and every provision has been made

to secure absolute accuracy in compounding physicians' and family recipes. Mr. Lee is of Canadian birth, a gentleman of culture, and an able business man, esteemed by all who know him.

**W. G. BLACK & SON.**

**T**HE best known manufacturers of awnings and tents in this city is the firm of W. G. Black & Son. This business was established in 1880 by the firm at cor. King and Yonge streets, and 6 years after removed to 114 Richmond street west, where finding the accommodations inadequate to meet the demands of the trade, on the 1st of January the premises now occupied at 133 King street east were secured, comprising a salesroom 24 x 30 feet in area and factory 20 x 25. The firm manufacture and keep in stock round, wall, wedge, lawn and cottage tents, also store front and window awnings of all styles, horse and wagon covers, painted linen window-blinds, plain or decorated, for stores and dwellings, and spring rollers of all descriptions. Tents are the specialty of the firm and are made in all styles and sizes. Only the best materials are used and prices are governed by moderation. Mr. W. G. Black was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1883, and came to Canada in 1850. He has a wide acquaintance in this city, where he has resided a long time and has always been successful and prosperous as a business man.

**MAGUIRE & CORLEY.**

**A**HOUSE that is doing more than any other in this section of the city in the way of artistic elegance and excellence in custom made clothing is that of Messrs. Maguire & Corley, of No. 164 Queen street east. It was established in 1891 by Messrs. E. Maguire and John Corley, with practical cutters and fitters of long and valuable experience. The premises occupied are handsome and commodious, and here is displayed a splendid collection of fabrics, in all the newest shades, patterns, and designs, representative of the products of the best looms of Europe and America. Eight cutters and tailors are employed in making these fabrics into garments under the personal supervision of the partners, and any garment made by this popular and noted house is always endorsed by fastidious critics as perfect in every respect, and the skill of the proprietors make them recognized authorities and leaders in this artistic business. The house is always abreast of the times in its stock of novelties in fabrics, and is turning out garments in the latest fashions. Mr. Maguire is a Canadian by birth, and Mr. Corley is a native of Ireland.



## C. T. HEISEL.

THIS is the Toronto Branch 50 Lombard Street, of the popular and widely known house of Mr. C. T. Heisel, Chewing Gum Manufacturer, Cleveland, Ohio. The Cleveland house was established in 1873, by Mr. Heisel, who in 1887 to supply the Canadian trade opened the Toronto Branch, which has proved a great success. This Branch is under the energetic and able management of Mr. S. T. Britten, who is widely known in trade circles for his promptness and strict probity. Mr. Heisel manufactures extensively picture, paraffine, chiclo, tolu, prize and spruce chewing gum. His factory is fully equipped with modern appliances and machinery, and 40 skilled hands are employed. Mr. Heisel's chewing gum is unexcelled for purity, flavor and quality, and is a general favorite with consumers in all sections of Canada and the United States. Only the purest and best materials are utilized in the manufacture of this chewing gum, which is highly esteemed by jobbers and retailers, owing to its great salability and intrinsic merits. Orders are carefully filled by Mr. Britten at the lowest possible prices, and the trade of this branch extends throughout all sections of the Dominion. A heavy and choice stock is always on hand, and all goods are fully warranted. Mr. Britten was born in England and has been in Mr. Heisel's employment for the last eight years. He has lately added pop-corn to the trade of this branch, and under his management the patronage is steadily increasing in all sections.

## DAVIS BROS.

ONE of the oldest and most noted firms of Manufacturing Jewellers in Toronto is that of Messrs. Davis Bros, whose salesroom and workshops are situated at 130 Yonge street. Messrs Davis Bros, established this business, July, 1875, and their trade now extends throughout Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba and the North-West. They occupy a commodious three-story building, 15 x 60 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to office and salesrooms, while the second and third are utilized for workshops, which are fully equipped with modern tools and appliances. Messrs. Davis Bros. make a specialty of manufacturing solid gold jewellery, diamond mountings and settings. Their goods are recognized as standards by the trade, and are unsurpassed for elegance, quality, finish and workmanship. Messrs. Davis Bros, import their diamonds and other precious stones direct, and quote prices that necessarily attract the attention of close and prudent buyers. The partners were born in London, Ontario, where they learnt their trade with their father, who was the oldest jewellery manufacturer

in Canada. They have resided in Toronto for the last twenty years, and are widely known for their mechanical skill and strict probity. Messrs. Davis Bros. are constantly introducing seasonable novelties, and their goods are general favourites with retailers and jobbers, owing to their great salability and intrinsic merits.

## GEO. BUNKER.

A NECESSARY adjunct in all lines of business is that which has to do with the making of rubber and metal hand stamps, and one of the best known and most reliable manufacturers and dealers in this line is Mr. Geo. Bunker, whose well-equipped establishment is located at 87 Bay street. Mr. Bunker established his business some thirteen years ago, and is to-day the recipient of the largest patronage in his line of any manufacturer in Toronto. Mr. Bunker manufactures notary and society seals, rubber and metal hand stamps, including railroad, banking and steel stamps, daters and stencils; also, show cards, price tickets, bannerettes, etc. His premises at 87 Bay street occupy one flat 20 x 100 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with all necessary tools and machinery, and from six to eight expert mechanics are regularly employed. Only the very best vulcanized rubber and tempered steel are used, and his work is considered, by those well competent to judge, the best and most reliable in the city. Mr. Bunker is a gentleman in middle life and a Canadian by birth.

## W. T. ECCLESTONE.

ONE of the most popular and leading establishments of its kind in this city is that of Mr. W. T. Ecclestone, wholesale and retail confectioner. Mr. Ecclestone's experience in this business extends over a period of fifty years, and in 1879 he commenced operations on his own account at 80½ Yonge street, and from the outset has been eminently successful. In 1887 he opened a store, No. 6 Rossin House block, as a retail department, and is conducting both establishments with marked skill and ability. The store in the Rossin House block is 20 x 60 feet in area and fitted up with handsome plate glass show cases, elegant mirrors, etc. The walls and ceilings are frescoed and all the surroundings are in perfect keeping with the character of the business. Fine chocolate and cream bonbons are made daily and all kinds of sweets, and the store is liberally patronized by the best classes of the community. Pure sugar and other materials only are used in the manufacture of confectionery, and the demand at both wholesale and retail is fully

equal to the supply. The goods are pure, wholesome and delicious, and have a wide reputation for superiority. Mr. Ecclestone is a native of the County of Suffolk, England, and has resided in Toronto many years. A number of polite assistants are employed, and there is always a scene of busy activity about this popular establishment. Mr. Ecclestone's wholesale trade is gradually increasing, especially in fine lines of goods.

## E. M. MORPHY, SON &amp; CO.

ONE of the oldest and most noted jewellery establishments of Toronto is that of Messrs. E. M. Morphy Son & Co., manufacturers and importers of watches, diamonds, etc., whose store is situated at 141 Yonge street. This business was established in 1843 by Mr. E. M. Morphy, who eventually admitted his son, Mr. F. J. Morphy, into partnership.



The store is handsomely fitted up and is fully stocked with a judiciously selected stock of gold and silver watches, jewellery, silverware, diamond goods, pebble spectacles, opera glasses, microscopes, telescopes, French, American and German clocks, bronzes and fancy goods in great variety. In precious stones the firm has a splendid assortment of diamonds, rubies, sapphires, emeralds, pearls, opals, etc., and possesses many matched diamonds of rare beauty. Special attention is given to watch repairing, and their prices in all cases are extremely reasonable. Mr. E. M. Morphy was born in Ireland, but is now a York pioneer, being about sixty years in Toronto. Mr. F. J. Morphy is a native of Toronto. We know of no store in the city where more substantial advantages are offered. Watches or jewellery are sent by the firm to any express or post office in Canada, accompanied by a guarantee (and permission to exchange if unsuitable) on receipt of remittance or satisfactory reference. Messrs. E. M. Morphy, Son & Co. also manufacture medals and society emblems, gold and silver ware, including old keepsake or family plate, which can be preserved or remodelled. A liberal cash discount is given, especially to clergymen and benevolent institutions.

### W. B. MALCOLM'S SANITARY GOODS.

ONE of the most progressive and reliable importers and manufacturers of sanitary earthenware in Toronto is Mr. W. B. Malcolm, whose office, store and work-shops are situated at 89 and 91 Church street. Mr. Malcolm, who is a thoroughly practical sanitary engineer and expert, established this business in 1871, on Jarvis street. Eventually, in 1873, he moved to his present commodious premises. He occupies a spacious three-story building, 44 x 86 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to offices and show rooms, the second to tank room, brass factory, lathes, etc., while the third floor is utilized for storage. He imports direct the best porcelain bowls, etc., for his closets and basins, and manufactures all his own brass work, and keeps constantly in stock full lines of engineers', plumbers', gas and steam fitters' supplies, making a specialty of brass castings and brass work of every description. Mr. Malcolm manufactures the "Toilet," "Autocrat," "Merrimac" and "Pilot" water closets, which are unrivalled for utility, reliability and efficiency, and are general favorites wherever introduced. He has the finest stock of improved sanitary earthenware in Toronto. Orders are carefully filled at the lowest possible prices, and the trade of the house now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Mr. Malcolm was born in Scotland, but has resided in Toronto the greater part of his life. He is widely known for his mechanical skill and integrity, and justly merits the substantial patronage secured in this useful industry. The Telephone call of the office is 650.

### J. H. KENNEDY.

ONE of the most popular resorts in Toronto for all admirers of the fascinating game of billiards and pool is the White Rose Billiard Hall. Mr. J. H. Kennedy, proprietor, located at 237 King street east. Mr. Kennedy, who was born in Beaverton, Ont., came to Toronto in 1888, and a year after established the business which he is now conducting. The premises occupied are eighty-two feet in depth, handsomely and attractively fitted up in modern style. Connected with the billiard hall is a tastefully arranged cigar store, which is fully stocked with a choice assortment of imported and domestic cigars, and all kinds of chewing and smoking tobacco, cigarettes, pipes, etc. Among the special brands of cigars kept by Mr. Kennedy are "Viceroy" and "Vive de Muria," which are highly appreciated by smokers. Mr. Kennedy is a courteous, obliging gentleman and is well and favorably known throughout the city.



### W. T. STEWART.

THE leading house engaged in the work of slate and felt roofing in this city is that of Mr. W. T. Stewart, whose main office is located at 27 Toronto street, with factory at Sumac street. Mr. Stewart is also dealer in pitch, felt, tar, gravel, sheathing paper, carpet paper, and all kinds of building paper. He has roofed a large number of churches, factories, stores, and other extensive buildings, as well as many private residences, and filled one of the largest contracts in slate roofing ever done in Toronto for the Athletic Club. He manufactures felt and purchases building paper from the celebrated Northumberland Paper Company, and his slate is from the quarries at Quebec. Mr. Stewart receives large orders from all parts of Toronto and throughout the country. He is highly endorsed by builders, property owners, and does work for the leading architects in Toronto and elsewhere. All work done by this house may be relied upon as being of the very best, both in respect of quality, material and workmanship. Mr. Stewart is a pleasant man, with whom it is always profitable to deal, and is alderman of the first ward.

### J. & J. LUGSDIN.

THE oldest and most popular hatters and furriers in this city are unquestionably Messrs. J. & J. Lugsdin, whose beautifully furnished showrooms are located at 101 Yonge street. This firm are to-day the largest importers and manufacturers of fine hats, fur garments and furs in the city, and there is no concern in Toronto that controls as select and influential a patronage as do Messrs. Lugsdin. They commenced business operations in 1867 and have seen their enterprise grow and prosper until to-day it is the leading representative in its line in the city. The firm occupy a handsome three-story brick building, 22 x 110 feet in dimensions, the first and second flats of which are splendidly fitted up as showrooms, and the third devoted to the fur manufacturing department. The firm are large importers of the best English and other European makes of hats, and they also import and manufacture extensively the finest grades of furs and fur garments, including seal, strakan, otter, beaver, mink, etc. Mr. John Lugsdin was born in England and came to this city forty-one years ago. He is a prominent and influential member of the Board of Trade and St. George's Society. Mr. Joseph Lugsdin is also a native of England and a prominent member of the A.O.U.W., Select Knights, Sons of England and St. George's Society. Both gentlemen are among our most highly respected business men, whose honorable career has won for them hosts of friends in business and social life.

## H. SLIGHT.

TORONTO can boast of possessing the largest and finest greenhouses and show conservatories on the continent, known as the "City Nurseries," of which Mr. H. Slight is the enterprising proprietor. These nurseries are not only the largest, but, in all probability, the oldest, as they were first established in 1862. The beautiful conservatories facing Yonge street and located at No. 407 on that thoroughfare, have a frontage of 24 feet by a depth of 100 feet. There are eight separate greenhouses. Here will be found the largest stock of cut flowers, plants, trees and bulbs to be found in Canada. The list of plants includes azalias, orchids, palms, ferns, roses, chrysanthemums; of trees—chestnut, maple, elm, spruce, weeping willow, and grape vines; and of bulbs—tulips, hyacinths, lilies, tuberose, dahlias, lily of the valley, etc. These are all grown by the best growers in the world and imported by Mr. Slight. In the conservatory is always displayed a magnificent assortment of beautiful cut flowers, which are made into exquisite floral offerings, in any design, for balls, parties, receptions, banquets, as well as funerals, making a specialty of artistic decorations for weddings. Mr. Slight has taken silver medal and first prize on a number of occasions at the Toronto Exhibition. He is an Englishman by birth, and is highly respected for his superior business ability and honorable business methods.

## EMPRESS HOTEL.

ONE of the most popular and ably conducted hotels in this city is the **Empress Hotel**, which commands a large permanent and transient patronage under the management of one of the most successful hotel proprietors in the Dominion, Mr. R. Dissette. The hotel was built only a comparatively short time ago, and has been under the able management of Mr. Dissette for the past five years. Everything is newly furnished throughout and is one of the cleanest and most inviting hotels in the city. The hotel is located at 339 Yonge street, at the corner of Gould street. The building is a handsome four-story brick structure, 44x140 feet in dimensions, containing upwards of forty newly and handsomely furnished sleeping rooms. The hotel is equipped with all modern improvements and conveniences, including gas and electric light, steam heat, etc. The dining room is commodious and well lighted and has a seating capacity for fifty guests. A large and handsome bar-room is attached, where only the choicest wines, liquors, ales, porters, cigars, etc., are sold, and the best liquors are also put up for family use. The rates are from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day, and while the rates are

reasonable, no expense or pains have been spared to make this a first-class hotel in every respect, while every means or appliance tending to the comfort and convenience of guests has been adopted. Electric cars pass the door every three minutes direct to and from the Union passenger station and connecting with all parts of the city. Mr. R. Dissette, the genial and popular proprietor, is a gentleman in the prime of life, and is a Canadian by birth and an old resident of this city. The Telephone call of the house is 2279.

## M. W. S. DINGMAN.

ONE of the leading manufacturers' agents in Toronto, handling dry goods, laces, etc., is Mr. M. W. S. Dingman, whose office and salesrooms are at 57 Bay street. Mr. Dingman, who has influential connections in France, Great Britain, Switzerland and Germany, established this business in 1891, and his trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion. He occupies a spacious first floor, 25x100 feet in area, and keeps always a heavy and choice sample stock of laces and veillings, dry goods, handkerchiefs, silks, satins, lace curtains, hosiery, dress trimmings, embroideries, etc., which are offered to retailers and jobbers at extremely low prices. Mr. Dingman is sole agent in Toronto for many widely known houses of Europe, and whose productions have no superiors in the market and are general favorites wherever introduced. Mr. Dingman was born in Canada. He has long been actively identified with this important branch of trade, and is an agent of the highest character and responsibility.

## ROBERT DIXON.

AMONG the reliable and responsible dealers in men's furnishings in the city, none are more deserving of mention than Mr. Robert Dixon, a gentleman well and prominently known. The splendid flourishing business he is now conducting with such signal success was established in 1873, and in 1891 he succeeded to it by purchase. The store utilized is situated at 65 King street west, and is 20 x 50 feet in area. It is tastefully appointed, all the surroundings being in perfect keeping with the character of the business. Mr. Dixon is a live, wide-awake, progressive business man, and keeps in stock a full and complete assortment of men's furnishings, comprising fine dress shirts, cuffs, collars, underwear, hosiery,

gloves, suspenders, silk underwear, jewelry, umbrella covers, and everything that belongs to the business, including all the novelties as soon as introduced in London. He is moderate in his prices, and unremitted in his attention to please patrons. Mr. Dixon is a careful business man of most excellent good taste and judgment, and sustains a high reputation. He was born in Carlisle, England, and during his residence in Toronto has always enjoyed the unbounded confidence of all having dealings with him. He is a prominent member of the Commercial Travellers' Association. Mr. Dixon has a branch store at 352 Queen street west.

## J. W. DETLOR.

IN this historical review special mention should be made of Mr. J. W. Detlor, the well-known painter and decorator, who has been established in this business a period of fifteen years, and until 1884, he was located at 262 King street east, when he removed to the premises now occupied at 258 on that street. He is an artist of conspicuous talent and is constantly introducing new ideas and designs and blends colors so as to produce the most beautiful effects. His experience as a painter and decorator has been a valuable one and during his business career he has executed a vast amount of work in this city and vicinity. He keeps in stock a complete line of wall papers in all the new styles and combinations of colors, also mouldings and everything for interior decorative work. Mr. Detlor was born near Kingston, Ont., and has been a resident of Toronto since 1878. Orders receive prompt attention and the best satisfaction is guaranteed.

## WILLIAM FORSTER.

ONE of the best and most reliable grocers in this section of the city is Mr. Wm. Forster, who has been established since 1876. He occupies a spacious store tastefully fitted up and carries a full and complete stock of everything in the line of staple and fancy groceries, comprising pure teas and coffees, which are a specialty, also family flour, canned fruits and vegetables, condiments, table luxuries, smoked and salt meats, fish, farm products, dairy butter, cheese, eggs, etc. Mr. Forster is a native of Ireland, and has resided in Toronto for some time. He is a reliable, honorable, business man and has always sustained a high reputation. He makes a specialty of first-class goods, which are bought direct from leading importers and manufacturers and sold at the very lowest prices. Mr. Forster's popular store is at 114 Queen street east, corner Jarvis street.

**W. R. JOHNSTON & CO.**

**T**HE most important concern in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs. W. R. Johnston & Co., wholesale dealers and manufacturers of men's and boys' clothing, whose offices and salesrooms are situated at 45 and 47 Front street west, corner of Bay street. This extensive business was founded originally in 1865, and its present copartners are Messrs. W. R. Johnston, Herbert Langlois, J. C. Black, and W. R. Johnston, Jr. The premises comprise a spacious five-story building, 50 x 150 feet in dimensions, fully supplied with modern appliances and conveniences. The partners bring to bear a wide range of experience, coupled with sound judgment in the selection of their woolsens and suitings, which are chiefly imported by them from the most celebrated British, French and German houses. They are leaders in fashionable styles, and employ, inside and outside, five hundred hands, and the utmost care is taken to secure the most elegant finish to their men's and boys' clothing, while their prices in all cases are extremely moderate. The trade of the firm extends throughout all sections of the Dominion, and their various grades of clothing are general favorites with retailers and a critical public. The partners are all natives of Canada. They are business men of marked ability and integrity, and we predict for them a steady increase in their business. The firm's registered Cable address, is "Clothier," Toronto.

**CHAS. E. THORNE & CO.**

**O**NE of the leading and most active operators in the realty market in this city is Mr. Chas. E. Thorne, operating under the style of Chas. E. Thorne & Co., whose handsome offices are located in the Confederation Life Building. Mr. Thorne established this business in 1888, and bringing to bear a perfect knowledge of property values, both present and prospective, not only within the limits of Toronto, but throughout the Dominion, and full of enterprise in all his undertakings he at once became the recipient of a large patronage which has steadily increased and developed. A general real estate business is carried on, a leading specialty being made of handling acre and farm property on commission. The firm are also valuers and arbitrators and loan money on first class real estate security. Property is bought, sold and exchanged, and valuations made of farm and city property. The firm control some of the finest residential and improved property in the city and province and are enabled to offer the most favorable terms to intending purchasers. They also take entire charge of estates, securing suitable tenants, collecting rents, paying taxes, insurance, etc., and making all necessary repairs.

Mr. Chas. E. Thorne is a Canadian by birth and one of our most successful and enterprising business men, thoroughly honorable in all his dealings and highly respected by all who know him.

**SAMUEL TREES & CO.**

**A**PROMINENT and old established Toronto house engaged in the saddlery hardware business is that of Mr. Samuel Trees (trading as Samuel Trees & Co.) at No. 42 Wellington street east. This flourishing enterprise was established by its present proprietor in 1867, who, during the long intervening period to the present, has ever enjoyed a large and well-deserved share of the patronage of the trade and the public at large. The premises occupied comprise a commodious first floor and basement, 25 x 100 feet in dimensions, giving ample accommodation for the manipulation and display of the exceptionally fine lines of goods carried. The stock embraces all kinds of saddlery hardware, English bridles, horse clothing, kerseys, blankets, carriage robes, whip lashes, woollen and linen horse covers, brushes, chains, hames and a large assortment of specialties which have found great favor with the trade, and for efficiency, durability and utility have no rivals in this market. Mr. Trees likewise acts as sole agent for the sale of the world-renowned Elliman's Royal Embrocation, manufactured at Slough, near Windsor, England. This reliable house is a pleasant one with which to enter into mercantile relations. The trade is wholesale and a large business is effected with first-class retailers, the goods of this house being unsurpassed for excellence by those of any other contemporary establishment in the Dominion. Mr. Trees is of English nationality and is held in the highest estimation for his excellent business qualities and sterling integrity, and his career has been a prosperous one.

**ROBT. ANDERSON & CO.**

**N**O business requires a more thorough knowledge or a greater natural adaptability than that which relates to the building of machinery and the making of fine tools, and in this department of commercial activity the firm of Robt. Anderson & Co. have achieved a wide reputation. The firm are extensive manufacturers of fine tools and special machinery, foot and power presses, envelope machines, cutting and drawing dies, perforating stamps, etc. The business was established in 1877 by Theo. Snell, at 31 Adelaide street, who in 1884 was succeeded by the present firm, and during the same year removal was made to the present location. The premises

consist of a two-story building, 23 x 100 feet in dimensions, and upwards of twenty expert machinists are regularly employed. Besides the manufacture of fine tools and special machinery, the firm devote special attention to pattern making and gear cutting as well as working gear to order, and no department of this difficult and intricate business is so complicated that this concern can not turn out a perfect specimen of the work required. Mr. Robert Anderson, although a native of Scotland, came to Toronto in early boyhood, now a resident of the city twenty-two years, and here learned his trade. The office and machine shop are centrally located at 83 Jarvis street, four doors north of Adelaide street, and the trade extends to all parts of the Dominion as well as the United States.

**H. A. TAYLOR.**

**A**N establishment which bears the distinction of being one of the most reliable and prominent in this city in its line, is that of Mr. Henry A. Taylor, who for a period of twenty years has given his attention to designing, cutting and making gentlemen's wearing apparel, and who it may be safely said has done more to promote the standard of elegance in dress than any others. He occupies a handsomely appointed store in the Rossin House block on King street west, and has one of the finest merchant tailoring establishments in the city. In dimensions the store is 22 x 75 feet, and contains a large and valuable assortment of the finest woolsens and worsteds for gentlemen's wear, including English and Scotch tweeds, chevots, meltons, beavers, serges, vestings, trouserings, etc., of the latest patterns, from which the most fastidious in dress can easily make selections. Satisfaction as to style, fabric, cut and finish is guaranteed in every instance and prices will be found as low as any other first-class house in the city. Expert practical hands are employed and Mr. Taylor has acquired a well deserved reputation as an artist in his line. The patronage comes from the best classes of the citizens and is of the most substantial character. Mr. Taylor was born in Rochester, N.Y., came to Toronto in 1869 and is a gentleman possessing abilities of the highest order and exquisite taste and judgment in all that pertains to elegance in gentlemen's wearing apparel.

**FAIRCLOTH BROS.**

**A** LEADING house in its line is that of Messrs. Faircloth Bros., importers of wall papers, and painters and decorators. The firm is well known, and occupy the building at 10 Shuter street, a three-story structure, 25 x 75 feet in dimensions, which is the pro-

perty of the firm. The salesroom presents a handsome appearance and here is displayed a complete stock of the new style wall papers in the latest designs of English, Canadian and American manufacture, also handsome centre pieces, borders and dado decorations, together with window shades, artists' materials, etc. The assortment is one of the largest and finest to be found in the city. Messrs. Faircloth Bros. do an extensive business as house and sign painters, glazing, graining, kalsomining and paper hanging and general interior decorating. They also manufacture and supply stained glass for ecclesiastical, public and private buildings, sand and wheel cut glass, bevelled plate, etc. They did work on the Victoria College, also other buildings and many private residences, and display most excellent taste and judgment. Mr. John M. Faircloth is a native of Ireland, but has been a resident of Toronto for some time. His brother and copartner, Mr. George W. A. Faircloth, was born in Canada.

#### HALLY BROS.

THE principal wholesale rubber house in the city of Toronto is that of Messrs. Hally Brothers, located at 38 Yonge street. This extensive and steadily increasing business was established in 1888 by Messrs. John Hally and Brother, and on the retirement of his brother, Mr. John Hally became sole proprietor. He occupies a spacious three-story building, 25 x 150 feet in area, fitted up with modern appliances, electric lights, elevator, etc. Here he carries a choice and comprehensive assortment of india rubber boots and shoes. Only really first-class rubber goods are handled, manufactured by the Canadian Rubber Company of Montreal, and the prices quoted necessarily attract the attention of close buyers. Hally Bros. keep always on hand a full stock of these splendid goods. They employ three travelling salesmen and their trade extends throughout Ontario. Orders are filled same day as received and all goods are fully warranted. Mr. Hally was born in Scotland. He is widely known as an honorable and energetic business man, who in all transactions aims to advance the best interests of his patrons.

#### JOHN LAIRD.

THE subject of this brief sketch, Mr. John Laird, came to Canada thirty-eight years ago, having been born in Glasgow, Scotland. He is located at No. 544 Yonge street, where he has conducted his business for two years past. He formerly occupied spacious premises at No. 558 on the same street for a period of ten years, and previous to that, did business for fifteen years at No. 335 Yonge street. Thus it is seen that Mr. Laird

has had an experience of twenty-seven years in the line in which he is now engaged, that of a dealer in pictures, manufacturer of frames, and gilding and glazing. He makes a specialty of manufacturing all kinds of picture frames and gilding, in which he is an expert and skilled workman. He also carries a large and handsome assortment of oil and water colors in pictures, many being very valuable. All kinds of frames are made to order on short notice and after the latest and best styles. On a moderate capital invested in the trade, Mr. Laird does a business of more than \$2,000 annually, and, personally managing the business, has always given the greatest satisfaction to his customers. His house is a leading one. He occupies two flats and it may truly be termed the "old reliable" picture frame factory and gilding house of Toronto.

#### ROBERTSON BROS.

AMONG the widely known contractors, carpenters and builders in Toronto is the firm of Robertson Bros., whose office and workshop is at 255 Queen street east. Messrs. R. and H. Robertson, the copartners, have been associated and established in business since 1882, and in that time erected many houses in the city and vicinity. They promptly furnish estimates for buildings of all kinds and in the busy season employ from ten to twenty-five workmen. They also pay attention to making alterations, remodelling buildings, fitting up stores, offices, banks and interior and exterior decorative wood work, making repairs and jobbing. Promptness is assured and prices are consistent with first-class work. Both members of the firm are natives of Scotland and have been residents of Toronto twenty-two years. The premises are 30 x 175 feet in area, and comprise a lumber yard well stocked, and a workshop equipped with all appliances necessary in the business in which they are engaged.

#### ROBERTSON BROS.

ONE of the oldest and without question the largest concern devoted to the manufacture of fine confections in Canada is that of Robertson Bros., 107 to 113 Queen street east. The present copartners, Messrs. Thomas and Alexander Robertson, established this important business enterprise in 1863 and five years later erected their present factory, which is a fine four-story and basement structure, 100 x 120 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with all the latest improved machinery, driven by a one hundred-horse-power engine. One hundred and sixty hands are regularly employed, as well

as four delivery wagons and seven travelling salesmen. The trade of the house, now grown to enormous proportions, extends throughout all portions of the Dominion, from Vancouver to Halifax. The unsurpassed facilities of the house enable them to manufacture the most superior grades of goods and sell direct to the trade at prices that defy competition, and they in consequence to-day handle the largest and most influential trade in Canada. Messrs. Robertson were born in Scotland and came to Toronto upwards of thirty-eight years ago, since which time they have not only built up a most prosperous and extensive business, but have become an important factor in the city's growth and prosperity.

#### HAM & CO.

THERE is not a more popular merchant tailoring establishment in Toronto than that of Mr. A. E. Ham, who has been established in business since 1890, conducting it under the name of Ham & Co. Mr.

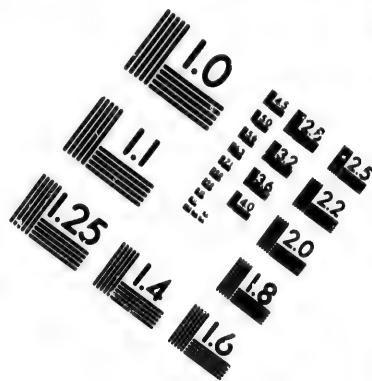
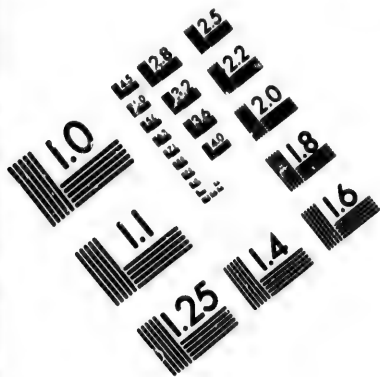
Ham's establishment from the outset has been popular as a place where the general make-up, fit and trimming of a garment is a matter of careful consideration and study, consequently he enjoys a first-class custom which comes from the leading citizens. He is a practical tailor and artistic cutter of long experience and a thorough master of the art. The premises are located at 167 Yonge street, having dimensions of 30 x 50 feet, and here he makes a fine display of elegant woollens and worsteds, embracing everything in the line of men's wear, including the choicest fabrics

of both English and Canadian production in all the latest styles. Mr. Ham is careful and painstaking and makes a specialty of frock and dress suits and never fails to render the best satisfaction to his many patrons. He is of English birth and has resided in this city ten years. The name of Ham & Co., importing tailors, is widely known and a large business is carried on.

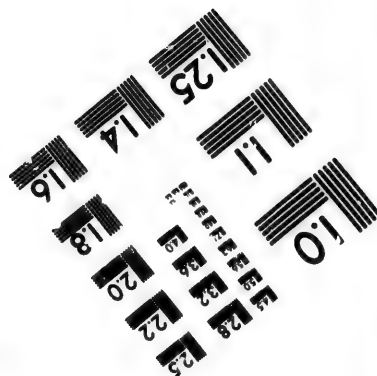
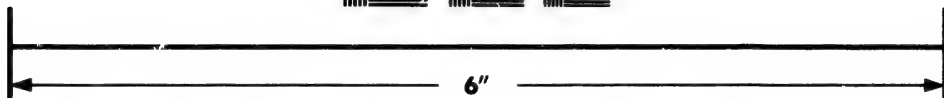
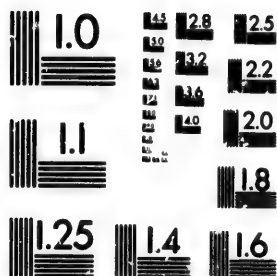








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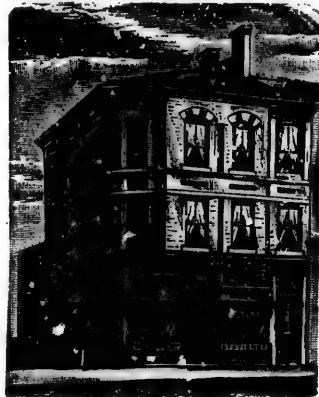
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**J. JOHNSTON.**

ONE of the best equipped wholesale stationers and printers in Toronto is Mr. J. Johnston, located at 105 Church street, corner of Richmond. This business was founded in 1870 by Johnston Bros., but since 1882 has been continued by Mr. J. Johnston, the present proprietor. The premises occupied are



four stories high, and 20 x 75 feet in area. The stock carried is full and complete, and comprises a general assortment of plain, fancy and commercial stationery, blank books, office supplies, etc. Printing is executed in all branches, and the work turned out unsurpassed in neatness and excellence, and will compare with that of any printing house in Canada, and the trade comes from all parts of the Province of Ontario. Mr. Johnston is a native of Canada, well-known in commercial circles, and throughout his business career has always sustained a high reputation.

**THE TORONTO COPYING HOUSE.**

FROM research and experiment it is discovered that pictures of long ago may and can be enlarged, and beautified to any desired size and finish in India Ink, Crayon and Water Colors; and retaining all the original features of the subject in even a more

beautified form. No greater advancement in any line of art has been made than in this. This city can boast of a house whose work in this line is not excelled by any other in the world. The Toronto Copying House, located at 264 Queen street west, of which Mr. H. C. Myers is proprietor, is here referred to. Mr. Myers began the business in this city in 1885, and has established a high reputation as a first-class artist. He has made a specialty of the class of work above referred to, and has done a large and paying business annually. In addition to copying and enlarging pictures, he carries a grand assortment of oil paintings, steel engravings and handsome chromos, and also makes to order all kinds of picture frames at fair prices, and employs a staff of ten men who are all well experienced from long service and training. The superiority of his art work has so fully commended itself to his patrons and the public, that he finds it necessary to multiply his facilities for conducting business, and now occupies four flats, 60 x 40 feet in dimensions. His prices for work are moderate and a visit to this establishment will be of great interest. Mr. Myers is a native of Toronto, and therefore well-known in the community.

**W. LAUDER & CO.**

THE popular trunk emporium now conducted by Messrs. W. Lauder & Co. has been long known to the public, having been established in 1862 by the firm of J. Eveleigh & Co. In 1892 the business passed into the hands of the present proprietors. The premises at 39 King street west, occupy a two-storey brick building, 25 x 120 feet in dimensions, and here will be found one of the largest and finest assortments of trunks and travelling bags in Canada, in fact it would be difficult to duplicate the magnificent stock. Here will be found trunks of every description, adapted for all purposes, including sole leather trunks, basket trunks, Saratoga trunks, French canvas trunks, canvas steamer trunks, raw hide trunks, leatheroid trunks, steel lined leatheroid trunks, sample and theatrical trunks, etc., a specialty being made of commercial travellers' sample trunks, and steel trunks which are light, durable and practically unbreakable. In travelling bags will also be found a comprehensive assortment, including Gladstone bags, toilet bags, surgical bags, furnished bags, courier bags, cabin bags, barristers' brief bags, sample cases, telescope cases, ladies' and gents' hat cases, collar and cuff boxes, etc. Also trunk straps, music rolls, rug straps, shoulder straps, name tags, etc. They

also keep in stock a full assortment of pocket books, purses, ladies' and gents' card cases, bill books, shopping bags, etc. Special attention is paid to repairing; and also trunks of special design are made to order. Mr. Lauder is one of our most enterprising and successful business men, and maintains the respect and confidence of the business and social community.

**C. TAYLOR.**

THESE are few articles that enter into daily consumption so hard to obtain unadulterated as wines and liquors. A decidedly popular and thoroughly reliable house engaged in handling wines, liquors, ales, etc., at both wholesale and retail in Toronto, and which maintains a very enviable reputation for handling only the very best quality of goods, is that of Mr. C. Taylor, whose well ordered establishment is located at No. 25 Parliament street. Mr. Taylor was born in England, and was for twenty years head bottler for the Toronto house of Mr. Copeland, and of his successors, Messrs. Millet Bros. He embarked in the business on his own account in 1892, and has built up a very extensive and influential trade, both with dealers and private families, owing to the unrivalled quality, purity and reliability of his goods. The stock is large and complete, and embraces a fine assortment of imported and domestic wines, brandies, gins, rums, liquors, whiskies, ales, porters, etc., many of which are bottled on the premises, thus insuring their absolute freedom from foreign ingredient. Orders are filled at prices that defy competition, and goods are delivered to all parts of the city. Mr. Taylor is a gentleman of strict probity, eminent popularity and marked business ability.

**GEO. A. STIMSON.**

A NAME well and favorably known in the financial circles of Toronto is that of Mr. Geo. A. Stimson, investment broker, whose well-appointed offices are located at 8 York Chambers, No. 9 Toronto street. Mr. Stimson established himself in business some years ago in this city, and to-day, possessing superior facilities and extensive and influential connections, he stands among the leading and influential financiers in this city. Mr. Stimson buys and sells government, municipal and railway debentures, transacting annually a large business with the municipal corporations throughout Canada. He also loans money on first mortgages on the most favorable

terms, having due regard to the amount and security, and investors and borrowers alike receive the most liberal treatment at his hands. Having been identified for many years with this line of commercial activity before engaging in business on his own account, he brings to bear both practical knowledge and mature judgment, which, coupled with a sound, conservative policy, has led to success in all his transactions. His ability as a financier, and extensive knowledge of the values of Canadian bonds and debentures, together with his successful career and sterling integrity, have placed him in the front rank among the influential and successful business men of Toronto. A Canadian by birth, he is thoroughly identified with all that pertains to the highest interest of this country, and of the city of Toronto.

#### "THE BELL."

A HOUSE which has established an enviable reputation for its fine ready-made clothing in the city of Toronto, is that known as "The Bell," whose salesrooms are situated at 84 and 86 Yonge street. This extensive business was founded in 1890, and the trade now extends throughout the city and its vicinity. They are the largest manufacturers of clothing in Canada, their goods being unrivalled for quality, fit and elegance. The premises occupied comprise a superior four storey brick building, 60 x 90 feet in area, and a spacious three storey brick factory, 100 x 120 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with modern machinery operated by steam power. Two hundred persons are employed, and they also import extensively gents' furnishing goods from the most noted foreign houses. They manufacture men's, youths' and boys' clothing, and are leaders in fashionable styles, and their goods are general favorites with a critical public, while the prices quoted defy competition. Mr. C. Booth, the manager, was born in Ireland. He is widely known for his business ability, and is a popular member of the Independent Order of Foresters. Those requiring really first-class ready-made clothing should patronize "The Bell."

#### CHAS. SMITH & CO.

IN the manufacture of hydrants and general water works supplies a representative and successful house in Toronto is that of Messrs Chas. Smith & Co., whose office and workshops are situated at 59 Richmond street east. Mr. C. Smith, who is a thoroughly practical and expert machinist and mechani-

cal engineer, established this business nine years ago, and his trade now extends throughout Toronto and the chief cities of Ontario and Quebec. He occupies a substantial two-story factory, 54x54 feet in area, fully supplied with modern tools and machinery operated by steam power. Here sixteen skilled workmen are employed, who turn out hydrants, valves, shafting, pulleys, hangers, water meters and general water works supplies, also steam pumps, air and circulating pumps, independent condensers, etc. Only the best materials are utilized, and the various specialties produced are unsurpassed for utility and efficiency, and are the embodiments of mechanical workmanship of the highest order of perfection. Mr. Smith, likewise, makes special machinery to order, and attends carefully to designing and pattern making. Orders are promptly filled, and the prices charged for all work are extremely moderate. Mr. Smith was born in England.

#### JOHN SIM & CO.

IN the line of plumbing, gas fitting, and steam and hot water heating, Messrs. John Sim & Co. occupy an enviable position among their competitors. The firm has been established in business since 1885, and own and occupy a spacious three-story brick building, 26x100 feet, at No. 145 Church street. The stock embraces lead and iron pipes, sanitary appliances, steam and hot water apparatus, bath tubs, closets, sinks, artistic gas fixtures, electric supplies, etc., and some twenty-five skilled workmen are employed. The firm makes a specialty of sanitary plumbing, ventilation and drainage, fit up bath tubs, sinks, etc., and arrange and pipe buildings and dwellings for the introduction of gas, water and heating purposes. Estimates are furnished and contracts taken for work of any magnitude, and the skill and judgment of this firm are proverbial, and the extensive patronage represents the most desirable city and suburban custom. Mr. Sim, the head of the firm, is a native of Scotland, and has resided in Toronto many years.

#### APTED BROS.

FACILITIES enjoyed by Toronto in the matter of printing are of the most complete character. Every class of the most difficult work can be executed here in the most accurately artistic style. One of the leading printing houses thus efficiently prepared is that of Apted Bros. This firm commenced operations in a modest way in 1881, at the corner of Leader Lane and Colborne street, but owing to the

steady increase in business, necessitating more commodious quarters, a removal was made in 1892 to the four-story building now occupied, at 54 Yonge street. The building is 50x160 feet in area, and here the Messrs. Apted have one of the most complete printing plants in the Dominion. For the finest typographical and superior presswork the public can find no more satisfactory house than this, both as to price and character of the work. A staff of skilled and experienced typos, pressmen, and proof readers is employed, and only the finest class of work executed. This firm make a specialty of fine commercial and manufacturers' printing, also color work, society printing, visiting and business cards; also circulars, catalogues, posters, etc., in fact there is nothing in the line of the "art preservative of arts" that the Messrs. Apted do not execute. Both members of the firm were born and raised in Toronto, are gentlemen of marked executive capacity and sound judgment, and their establishment is a model one.

#### R. POWELL.

THERE is no industry in this or any other city which is more important or of greater interest to the good house-wife, than the new process of cleaning and renovating carpets, rugs, etc., than that conducted by Mr. R. Powell, at his spacious works No. 643 Yonge street, late of 92 Yorkville avenue. These works are known as the Whirlwind Carpet and Turkish Rug Renovator Works. The premises are large, being the whole of a two-story building and basement, the dimensions of first floor being 25x110 feet. In the cleaning process a wheel twenty feet in diameter is used, and is driven by a six-horse-power dynamo, which generates an active air of such magnitude and power as removes all dust from the article, and thoroughly renovates the carpet or rug under treatment. There is no beating nor use of acids nor steam, nor any other rough treatment, to do injury to the fabrics, but is a healthful atmospheric process wholly. The business was established five years ago, but the atmospheric process was only introduced by the present proprietor three years since. It is patronized by the best families of the city, and is without doubt the best process ever introduced for carpet renovation. Mr. Powell also relays carpets as well as taking up and cleaning, and also reenamels oilcloths and linoleums, which are made to look new and beautiful. An inspection of this new process of renovation and cleansing of carpets will satisfy any doubting person of its superiority over all others.

**JAMES WRIGHT.**

**A**MONG the popular houses engaged in the grocery trade in this section of the city is that of Mr. James Wright, at 418 Church street, corner of Anne. This business was established by Mr. Wright in 1892, and although but a short time in operation has already a large patronage. Mr. Wright carries at all times a large and choice stock of staple and fancy groceries, table delicacies, canned goods, fruits, vegetables, dairy and farm products, and family supplies of all kinds. He makes a leading specialty of fancy groceries, table delicacies, and oysters in season, as well as farm and garden products, of which he receives a fresh supply every day. His store is neatly fitted up, three clerks are employed, and the trade is drawn from the leading and influential throughout this section of the city. Mr. Wright is a native of Ireland, and a most courteous and obliging gentleman, with whom it is a pleasure to deal. During his residence in Toronto he has won the confidence and esteem of a wide circle in business and social life, and is everywhere looked upon as a wide-awake, energetic business man.

**D. DENSMORE & CO.**

**A**MONG the many medicines now on the market for the cure of stomach and liver complaints, none have a wider reputation than those of the Stillman Remedies Co., whose headquarters are 310 West 45th street, New York, with agencies in Great Britain, France, and Canada. The Canadian agents are D. Densmore & Co., with office and warehouse at No. 271 Queen street east. The firm has been established in this city for a period of five years, and in that time established a good business. All of the Stillman remedies are kept in stock, the most popular being the celebrated Garfield Tea, for which there is a constant and increasing demand from the wholesale trade throughout Canada, from Cape Breton to Victoria. The increasing business necessitated greater space, hence their recent removal to the better adapted premises they now occupy.

**T. J. JOHNSTON.**

**A**N old established, well known watchmaker and jeweler in this city is Mr. T. J. Johnston, located at 582 Queen street west, who has been established eighteen years. The store occupied is fitted up in a neat, tasteful manner, and fully stocked with

a choice, carefully selected assortment of fine jewelry, fine watches of both European and American production, clocks of all kinds, sterling silverware, optical goods, etc. Every article sold by Mr. Johnston is fully warranted as represented, and as his prices are the lowest he is doing a fine business. He gives his personal attention to fine watch, clock, and jewelry repairing, and executes the work in the best manner. Mr. Johnston was born in England, and has been a resident of Toronto for some time. He is a young man of energy and enterprise well deserving the success he has won, and makes a special business of manufacturing jewelry to order. Mr. Johnston, after apprenticeship here, was three years with Bailey & Co, Chestnut street, Philadelphia, and about three and a half years with Tiffany & Co., New York.

**SIMPSON BROS.**

**A**MONG the long established photographers in this city is the firm of Simpson Bros., whose gallery and studio is at 357 Yonge street. Both members of the firm have had a valuable experience, and possess a thorough mastery of every detail of the art. The premises are admirably arranged, and the latest improved appliances are brought into requisition for producing the highest class of work. The Messrs. Simpson make a specialty of all branches of photography, including fine portraiture groups, interior and exterior views of public buildings and private residences, Sunday-school picnic and lawn tennis groups, and give their personal attention to commercial work of every description. The patronage comes from all classes of the community, and the splendid work turned out is highly commended for elegance and brilliancy. Both members of the firm are popularly known, and have the reputation of being leaders as artists and photographers in Toronto.

**B. LEVAN.**

**T**HE difficulty of obtaining a really fine cigar has passed into a proverb among the lovers of the weed. Some manufacturers there are, however, who adhere strictly to just methods, handling only reliable stock, and producing nothing but first-class goods, and among the houses whose goods have gained a well merited reputation on the market for superior quality, may be named that of Mr. B. LeVan, at Nos. 205-207 Queen street east. Mr. LeVan established this business in 1887 at 201-203

Yonge street, and in 1891 he sold out his interest therein. He renewed operations at his present stand in 1893, and is rapidly building up a substantial and widespread trade. He occupies a three-story brick building, 50 x 62 feet in dimensions, and gives steady employment to from six to ten cigarmakers. Mr. LeVan manufactures a general line of fine goods for the trade only, which are staple on the market, making a specialty of the "Grand LeVan" cigar. The different brands manufactured by him are registered, and are noted for choice flavor and reliable stock, and are held in high favor by those who appreciate a really good cigar. Mr. LeVan is a native of this city, and sustains a high reputation in commercial circles, being respected by all who know or ever had dealings with him.

**AMMON DAVIS & CO.**

**O**NE of the most attractive business establishments in this city is that of Ammon Davis & Co., jewelers, at 184 Queen street east. The business was established by the firm in 1890, and from the start has been successful and prosperous. The dimensions of the store are 15 x 30 feet, the show cases are handsome, and the fixtures of ornamental design. A large and carefully selected assortment of goods is carried, embracing elegant jewelry in all the new designs, and also diamonds and other precious stones, gold and silver watches of both European and American production. Clocks of all kinds, badges, society pins, chains, lockets, rings, etc. The firm make a special business of manufacturing jewelry to order, and pay particular attention to fine watch, clock, and jewelry repairing, and fully warrant it. Diamonds and gems are also set to suit customers. Mr. Ammon Davis is a practical watchmaker and jeweler of experience, and a first-class workman. He is young and enterprising, was born in Newfoundland, and has resided in Toronto for some years.

**GEORGE HAWKINS.**

**I**N the meat market of Mr. George Hawkins, which is located at No. 288 Queen street east, is to be found the freshest and choicest of meats in great variety. This market was established five years ago. Mr. Hawkins occupies a new building, and his fresh meats are kept stored in large refrigerators, which insures their perfect keeping, and so arranged with glass fronts as to show the meats, rendering the market very attractive. Mr. Hawkins' trade mark is "First-class Meats," including beef, mutton, veal,

the best of hams, bacon, etc., and he not only manufactures the best of sausages and sausage meat, but makes to order for private families. There is no table edible more subject to unfavorable criticism than are poor meats, and knowing this fact Mr. Hawkins has made it a rule to handle only the best, as demonstrated in the continued growth of his trade. He deals largely also in vegetables in their season, and the best of dairy products, and supplies hotels and restaurants on favorable terms. Everything about his market is A1, and this together with the quality of his goods and his courteous and prompt attention to customers, has won for him a fine trade. He is a most pleasant and affable man with whom to transact business, and is possessed of those characteristics of enterprise and industry which never fail to win success. Mr. George Hawkins was born in New Jersey, and has been a resident of Toronto for many years.

#### JOHN R. SONGHURST.

TORONTO is not behind any other city in the extent and magnitude of her provision trade, and the enterprise which characterizes her representative merchants in this line is not excelled in any other branch of commerce. One of the most popular retail houses engaged in this business is that of Mr. John R. Songhurst, located at No. 254 Queen street east, corner of Seaton street. Mr. Songhurst is of English birth, but has resided in this city for many years, during six of which he has been connected with the firm of Thompson & Co. Having acquired a thorough knowledge and practical experience in all branches of the trade, he inaugurated this enterprise on his own account in 1886. The premises utilized are of ample dimensions, fitted up in a very attractive manner, and are models of neatness and cleanliness. Large quantities of fresh and pickled pork, hams, bacon, lard, choice butter and fresh eggs and poultry, game, etc., are handled, and Mr. Songhurst makes a specialty of home-made sausages. All orders are given prompt and careful attention, and every advantage is granted to patrons that is embraced in reliable goods and economy of prices. Honest weight and fair prices are fixed rules in this establishment, and Mr. Songhurst enjoys a large business.

#### G. H. FORBES.

THE well known business establishment of Mr. G. H. Forbes, the popular dealer in bottled wines, liquors, ales, porters, etc., has always throughout a period of twenty years enjoyed a large,

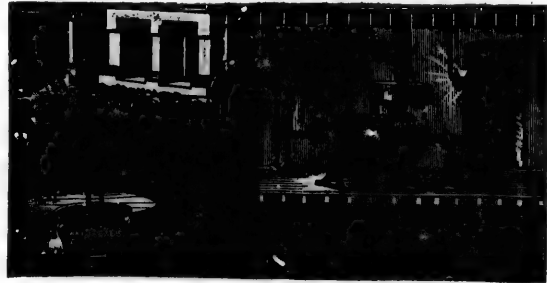
increasing patronage. The store is located at 1412 Queen street west, is handsomely fitted up, and an extensive stock of goods is carried, comprising the finest and best European wines, port, sherry, clarets, Holland gins, French brandies, also Jamaica rum, Scotch and Irish whiskey, Canadian whiskies, and imported and domestic ales, stout, porters, etc. American wines and superior old Bourbon and rye whiskies are a specialty. Mr. Forbes was born and raised in Canada, and as a business man has always sustained a high reputation. He handles and deals in pure wines and liquors only, and keeps in stock as fine quality goods as are to be obtained in Toronto, while the prices are such as to defy competition.

#### H. HAAG.

ONE among the necessities of any populous community is that of a first-class bakery. Such an establishment is that of Mr. H. Haag, located at 820 Yonge street, a few doors north of Bloor. Mr. Haag is a German by birth, and came to Toronto several years since. Six years ago he opened the bakery and confectionery he now conducts, and at once established a profitable business. He has a fine store, with a well equipped bakery in the rear, the premises being 20x75 feet, while the ovens are perfectly constructed and of large capacity, and Mr. Haag turns out the best of both white and brown bread, making use of only the best brands of flour. These products of the ovens are unsurpassed in purity and quality, and a specialty is made of brown bread. The most elegant cakes are also a product of this bakery, of which all kinds and styles are made to order on short notice and at reasonable prices. Wedding cakes of the most ornate kind and of the richest, pyramids, trifles, Charlotte de Russe, and jellies are among the productions of Mr. Haag's establishment. It would be difficult to say too much in praise of his goods. An ice cream parlor is in connection, and confections of all kinds are also carried in stock. This establishment is well known for the character of its unequalled bread, and enjoys a large trade. All goods are promptly delivered and terms are cash.

#### ROBB & KAY.

IN the manufacture of plumbers' copper and galvanized iron work, a reliable firm in Toronto is that of Messrs. Robb & Kay, gas fitters, tin, copper and sheet iron workers, whose store and workshops are situated at 190 King street west. This business was founded five years ago by Messrs. David Robb and Geo. Kay, who are both thoroughly practical workmen, and employ only first-class workmen. Messrs. Robb & Kay are manufacturers of the noted Canadian Automatic Air Gas Machine, which



they have placed and fitted up in many of the principal residences in Toronto and suburbs, which is perfectly safe and easily handled, while the price quoted is extremely moderate. They also line tanks with copper and galvanized iron, and manufacture ventilation pipes, expansion tanks, etc., and also deal in gasoline. Messrs. Robb & Kay were born in Canada. They are men of energy and integrity, and thoroughly reliable in all their dealings.

#### S. EGAN.

BY reason of its central situation and splendid transportation facilities Toronto has become one of the most important points of distribution in the Dominion of Canada. A leading house engaged here in the importation and handling at wholesale of foreign and domestic fruits, oysters, etc., is that of Mr. S. Egan, whose office and salesroom are located at No. 223 Spadina avenue. Mr. Egan was formerly



engaged in the retail fruit trade in partnership with Mr. Vance, at the corner of Queen and Simcoe streets. In 1891 he embarked in the wholesale branch of the trade, and has since built up undisputed and influential connections. His premises are of ample dimensions, and are finely fitted up with cold and dry storage, and with every modern facility and convenience. He sustains most favorable relations with shippers, and receives his supplies direct from the best producing sources, and is thus enabled to offer to the trade the finest foreign and native fruits. Mr. Egan is the sole agent of J. Langrall & Co's, Baltimore, celebrated and popular "Excelsius" brand of oysters. His trade, which is strictly wholesale, reaches all parts of the Dominion. He is a native Canadian, and has lived in and near Toronto all his life. We commend this house as thoroughly reliable and trustworthy.



E. J. CAMPBELL.

**A**MONG the many attractive establishments in Toronto that of Mr. E. J. Campbell is well worthy of mention. It is known as the Bamboo and Art Emporium. Mr. Campbell has been established in business at 326 Yonge street a period of two years, and has met with a success as well merited as deserved. He occupies two floors and manufactures and deals in all kinds of bamboo work of artistic design, and makes a specialty of bamboo novelties

and oddities. He also frames pictures to order in any style of moulding. In the salesroom a fine display is made of bamboo goods, screens, grills, brackets, etc., also picture frames and mouldings. Mr. Campbell is moderate in his prices, and is doing a prosperous business. He is of English birth, and during his residence in this city has always sustained a high reputation as a business man and citizen.

#### DOMINION STEAM LAUNDRY.

**T**HIS is one of the oldest and most important establishments of its kind in Toronto, and is noted for promptness, reliability and excellent service. It was established in 1870 by Mr. C. E. Johnson, who has since conducted it and enjoys a liberal patronage. He commenced operations at 1432 Queen street west, and subsequently purchased the premises now occupied at 505 on the same street. The building is a three-story brick structure 20x100 feet in dimensions, perfectly equipped with the latest improved machinery. Family, hotel, and transient work is made a specialty of, and finished and returned at the shortest notice, without injury to the fabrics, and upwards of twenty skilled hands are employed, and teams are in service calling for and delivering work in all parts of the city. Mr. Johnson was born and raised in Canada, has resided in Toronto a number of years, and is a prompt, reliable, business man. He is doing a large business, and turns out on an average weekly 1,200 shirts and 3,500 collars and cuffs, and an immense quantity of family and hotel laundry work.

#### THE BOULTON MEAT CO., OF TORONTO, Ltd.

**O**NE of the best known among the dealers in meats, poultry, etc., is that of the Boulton Meat Co., Ltd., of which Mr. G. H. Boulton is proprietor, located at 796 Yonge street, corner Bloor street. The foundation of the large business he is now conducting dates from a little more than twenty-three years ago. It is a large store, the dimensions being 25 x 65 feet, and is well fitted up for the business, provided with large refrigerators, etc. Mr. Boulton carries a full supply of fresh meats, such as beef, lamb, mutton, veal, pork, lard, etc., and all the choice salt meats, including the best of ham and bacon. At this store may also be found in their season a fine line of poultry, game, oysters and vegetables, and the choicest of butter, milk, and fresh eggs are always in supply.

Families are waited upon promptly, and orders by telephone receive the same attention as though given personally, and patrons are always requested to immediately report any error in the filling of their orders, to the end that prompt correction may be made. Mr. Boulton was born in England, but located in this city some twenty-seven years ago. He is about middle age, and has the esteem of the community.

#### C. K. ROGERS.

**A**MONG the leading coal and wood dealers in Toronto is Mr. C. K. Rogers, whose head office and yard is at 46 Berkeley street, and branch offices at 239 Wilton avenue, and 220 Gerrard street east. Mr. Rogers was born and raised in this city, is well and popularly known, and embarked in business on his own account in 1891. His premises are 100 x 150 feet in extent, and equipped with every convenience for storing stock, and steam power and machinery for sawing and splitting wood. Mr. Rogers deals in the best brands of the celebrated Scranton and Lehigh coal, also bituminous coal and hard and soft woods, including maple and beech, chestnut, pine, elm, etc. An efficient force of workmen are employed, delivery teams are in service, and orders are delivered in any part of the city without extra charge. Mr. Rogers can always quote the very lowest prices, and guarantees full weight and measure. He is a young man, progressive and enterprising, and well deserves the success which has rewarded his ably directed efforts.

#### JOSEPH M. LOOSE.

**A**N important line of business in this city is that conducted by Mr. Joseph M. Loose, manufacturer of piano and organ keyboards, whose office and factory are located at 105 Niagara street. Mr. Loose established his business in the city six years ago, and by honorable, upright, business methods, has built up a flourishing business. He occupies a building 60 x 70 feet in dimensions, and employs regularly twenty expert mechanics. He has introduced the latest improved and most expensive machinery for this special work. The keyboards are constructed of selected white pine, better grade of keys are made of ivory, and the cheaper grade of celluloid. The best ivory for this special use is imported from Germany, while the sharp key ivory is imported from France, and the trade of the house

now extends to every part of the Dominion. Mr. Loose, Sr., superintends the factory and is an expert in this line of business, having had many years' experience. Mr. J. M. Loose, the proprietor, is a young, enterprising business man, and his rapidly increasing patronage is ample evidence that he is pursuing the right business policy. The telephone call is 5310.

#### CHARLES J. NEIL.

**A**LTHOUGH but a period of five years has elapsed since Mr. Charles J. Neil opened his photographic studio in this city, it has acquired a popularity and secured a patronage which entitles it to prominent mention. The premises are located at 516 Queen street west, and the reception parlor, office and operating rooms are very tasteful in their furnishings, and are on the ground floor. Mr. Neil is prepared to execute photography in all branches, and produce in his work the most beautiful and pleasing effects. He personally superintends all work executed in his studio, and with his experience, artistic knowledge and moderate prices, he never fails to satisfy the taste and render the best satisfaction. Photographs of all sizes are taken, old pictures are copied and enlarged, and every care and attention is paid to pastel, crayon, India ink, oil and water color work. Mr. Neil is an American by birth, and has resided in Toronto for some time. He is a thorough master of his art, and without exception one of the best equipped photographers in the city.

#### A. E. BUTLER & CO.

**A**LTHOUGH but a brief space of time has elapsed since Messrs. A. E. Butler & Co. opened their footwear emporium at 396 Queen street west, it has acquired a popularity and secured a patronage deserving of special mention. The store is 20 x 60 feet in area, fitted up in modern style, and the assortment embraces the finest and best boots and shoes for men's and boys' wear, and everything suitable for ladies, misses and children, in all the new styles; also a general line of trunks, valises, etc. The goods are all new, and are warranted in every respect, fit, style, material and workmanship. The firm also have a splendid assortment of rubbers, slippers, and fancy shoes. Prices are exceedingly low and the firm can always offer the best inducements to buyers. Mr. A. E. Butler, the active co-partner, was born in Canada. He has quite an extended experience in the boot and shoe trade, and is well and popularly known in this city.

#### GEORGE THOMSON & CO.

**A**MONG the fashionable merchant tailors in Toronto is the firm of George Thomson & Co., whose handsome attractive store is at 391 Yonge street. The business was established by Mr. Thomson five years ago, and continued by him until recently, when he formed a partnership with Mr. G. L. Stephens, who is now the sole proprietor, and is conducting the business under the old firm name. A full and complete assortment of imported and domestic woollen and worsted goods is kept in stock, that are of the very latest styles and in such variety that even the most fastidious or those conservative in their dress need have any difficulty in obtaining just what they want. Experienced workmen are employed, and a brisk business is carried on; among the permanent patrons of the house being many of the leading citizens. Mr. Stephens is a young man, a native of Scotland, and as a designer and cutter of men's fashionable wearing apparel ranks among the most accomplished in the city, and we predict for him a prosperous future.

*Dixon*

**T**HE largest and most popular photograph studio in Toronto is undoubtedly that familiarly known as Dixon's, located in the building corner King and Yonge streets. The studio has been opened since 1880, and from the outset has always received a liberal patronage from an appreciative public. The office and parlors are on the ground floor and operating room on the top floor. The parlors are handsomely furnished, and the operating room is equipped with the very latest improved apparatus, new back grounds and appurtenances for executing work in the highest style of the art. Fine portraiture and groups are a specialty, also large photos, life size pictures, and theatrical pictures. Old and new photographs are copied and enlarged, and finished as may be desired, in oil, crayon, pastel, water colors or India ink. All work is first-class in every respect, and fully guaranteed, while prices are governed by moderation. The patronage comes from the best classes of the community, and many orders are filled from all the cities and towns in the Dominion. Only artists of talent and ability are employed, and every care and atten-

tion is paid to patrons. The premises utilized for the purposes of the business are 75,100 feet. A number of operators and artists are employed, and all work turned out bears the impress of the master hand. This business was established by Mr. S. J. Dixon who was for some time previously engaged in it in the United States. Mrs. S. J. Dixon, the present proprietress, is a skilled artist of professional ability, and a business woman of tact and experience.

#### NEWSOME, HOUGH & HARRIS.

**L**IKE all other inventions, Engraving, Color-printing and Lithographing have undergone a sort of revolution, until from being mere crude and comparatively slow processes, they have been brought to the state of perfection that obtains to-day. Toronto has always occupied a deservedly prominent position in the history of all branches of the engravers' and lithographers' art in the Dominion of Canada, and the city possesses some of the most notable and best equipped establishments identified with the craft that can be found anywhere. Among the establishments which the "Queen City" boasts in these lines, is that of Newsome, Hough & Harris, located at 35 Wellington street east. The proprietors have had an up-hill fight, but through a gradual, yet decided improvement in their machinery, they are now able to turn out work which is not surpassed in the most pretentious establishments in the Dominion. At the beginning of the present year, they imported and set up a large new "Potter" lithographing machine, with all the modern appliances. This machine is capable of turning out any class of work, in colors or in black, its registration being perfect, and its speed most satisfactory. Their other lithographing machinery is also first-class, being this year thoroughly overhauled. They have the only varnishing machine in the city, and make a specialty of varnishing work for every department of trade. The other machinery and plant of this establishment are also first-class; while, as to workmen, they have now a thoroughly competent staff. The proprietors aim to do good work at reasonable prices—their comparatively moderate expenses enabling them to give the best class of work to their customers without resorting to fancy charges. Their business is rapidly increasing, which is the best proof of the satisfaction given. The premises occupied by this firm are at 35 Wellington street east, their business filling the whole of the first floor up-stairs.

**SAUNDERS, LORIE & CO.**

ONE of the most reliable and successful firms in its line in the city of Toronto, is that of Messrs. Saunders, Lorie & Co., manufacturers of gem rings, gold and silver jewelry, whose factory and store are situated at 33 to 39 Adelaide St. W. This steadily increasing business was established in 1837, by Messrs. Zack & Lorie, who were succeeded in 1893, by the present firm of Messrs. Saunders, Lorie & Co. Both Messrs. Saunders & Lorie are thoroughly practical and expert jewelry manufacturers, who import their diamonds and other precious stones direct, and set them after the most approved fashions and designs. The trade is large and influential; and extends throughout Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and the North-West. The premises occupied comprise a spacious floor 75 x 50 feet in area. Thirty skilled hands are employed, and a specialty is made of diamond setting. They manufacture largely gem rings, gold and silver jewelry, and turn out goods that are unsurpassed for elegance, finish and reliability. Mr. Lorie was born in Austria, and Mr. Saunders in England. They are honorable business men, and business relations entered into with this firm are certain to become as pleasant as they will be profitable and satisfactory to all concerned.

**J. WILSON.**

AMONG the old established and reliable houses engaged in supplying the residents of Toronto with supplies, is that of Mr. J. Wilson, the popular grocer and butcher, whose establishment is located at No. 160 Queen street east. This business was established by Mr. Wilson in 1878, and under his able and experienced management a large and permanent family trade has been secured, and the total annual sales reach a very handsome figure. The store is 20 x 40 feet in dimensions, and the stock carried has been selected with the greatest care to meet the special requirements of a critical and fastidious trade. It embraces everything in the line of fancy and staple groceries, choice teas, coffees and spices, canned goods, family flour, prepared cereals and farinaceous goods; fresh, salt and smoked meats, and all meat products; dairy and creamery butter and cheese, fresh eggs, foreign and native fruits and vegetables in season, etc.; poultry, game and oysters are also handled in season. Families are waited on for orders daily, and as the business is conducted on a strictly

cash basis, the lowest prices prevail. Mr. Wilson is a Canadian by birth, and is highly esteemed for his enterprise, ability and integrity.

**T. E. PERKINS.**

ONE of the oldest and most successful photographers in Toronto we find in the person of Mr. T. E. Perkins, who is a native of Canada, of English descent, and established himself in his present business sixteen years ago, and has since gained a most enviable reputation for his artistic productions. During thirteen years he carried on his business at No. 203 Yonge street, and in 1892, he removed to his present stand at No. 435 Spadina avenue. His premises here consist of three floors, each 18 x 100 feet in dimensions, and his reception rooms, parlors and office, are very tasteful and pleasing in their furnishings. In the operating room are in use all the latest appliances known to the art, and three skilled assistants are employed. Mr. Perkins is prepared to execute photography in all its branches, and produces in his work the best and most beautiful effects. Photographs of all sizes are taken, old pictures are copied and enlarged, and portraits are likewise made in oils, water colors, pastel, crayon and India Ink. Mr. Perkins is honored as an accomplished master of his art, and as a reliable and successful business man.

**TORONTO STEAM LAUNDRY.**

FOR first-class work and promptness it is safe to say that no other establishment of its kind can compete with the Toronto Steam Laundry, which is one of the oldest and most reliable in the city. The laundry was established in 1872 at the corner Bay and King streets, by the present proprietor, Mr. G. P. Sharpe, and six years after a removal was made to the building now occupied at 106 York street, a brick structure three stories and basement high, 25 x 75 feet in dimensions, and throughout is perfectly equipped with the latest improved machinery. Twenty employees are kept constantly busy, and every care and attention is paid to fine fabrics which are laundered without injury. Family laundry being a specialty, also fine shirts, collars and cuffs, and hotel laundry is also promptly attended to. Mr. Sharpe is a native of Oxfordshire, England, and a prominent member of the St. George Society and the Select Knights. Branch offices are maintained in Midland City, Creemore and other places, for the accommodation of patrons.

**C. A. RISK.**

ONE of the most popular of the many dentists in Toronto is Mr. C. A. Risk, who has won an enviable reputation for the careful manner in which he performs operations. His elegant suite of apartments, devoted to reception and operating rooms and laboratory, are handsomely fitted up and provided with every facility for making the extraction of teeth as easy and painless as possible. Mr. Risk also preserves the natural teeth and fills them, making a specialty of artificial teeth to order, and guarantees perfect satisfaction. He is a native Canadian and a graduate and medalist of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons. He has been established in the city since 1891, and has a large patronage from the best citizens of Toronto. He is located at 86 Yonge street, and his office is always open.

**W. L. WALLACE.**

AMONG the leading boot and shoe dealers in Toronto, there are none maintaining a better reputation for low prices and superior goods than Mr. W. L. Wallace, whose handsome store, 20 x 70 feet in dimensions, is situated at 110 Yonge street. Mr. Wallace is a Canadian by birth, and has been established in business since 1888. For a period of five years he was located on Parliament street, and recently removed to the splendid premises now occupied. An extensive stock of goods is carried, embracing everything in the line of footwear for ladies, misses and children, also fancy and outing shoes of every description. Mr. Wallace is always first to introduce the new styles as soon as on the market, and is recognized as a leader in the boot and shoe trade in Toronto. In the custom department particular attention is given to men's fine hand-sewed work, also to repairing, and the best satisfaction is given.

**THE TORONTO BISCUIT AND CONFECTIONERY CO.**

IN the manufacture of biscuits and confectionery in the city of Toronto, a newly established and successful concern is that known as The Toronto Biscuit and Confectionery Co., whose office, factory, and salesrooms are situated at Front Street East. This business was established in March, 1891, by Messrs. George W. Booth, Henry C. Forties, and Charles J. Peter, who have already secured an in-

fluential and liberal patronage, their trade extending from Halifax to British Columbia. The premises occupied comprise a superior four story building 50x150 feet in dimensions. The factory is fully equipped with modern machinery and appliances, operated by steam power, and eighty-five persons are employed in the various departments. They use only the finest flour, sugar, and other choice ingredients, and manufacture largely all kinds of biscuits, jams and jellies. Their factory is a model of neatness, cleanliness, and order, and it would be well for consumers of confectionery if there were more like it. Their goods are absolutely unrivalled for purity and uniform excellence, and are general favorites with retailers, owing to their great salubility, quality, and intrinsic merits. Orders are immediately filled at the lowest possible figures. And they are also manufacturers of the celebrated B. F. P. Cough Drops, which have no superiors in the market for efficiency and reliability. Mr. Booth is a native of Toronto, Mr. Fortier of Sandwich, while Mr. Peter was born in Scotland. They are widely known for their strict integrity, and justly merit the substantial success secured in this important industry.

#### THE SELLERS FURNACE CO.

THE above company, although but recently established, are fast gaining a national reputation as having introduced on the market a furnace which in many points is far superior to any other now in use. The "Peerless" Warm Air Furnace manufactured by The Sellers Furnace Co., has been thoroughly investigated and tested by experts, and pronounced by them to be the most durable, compact, economical and easily run of any furnace now in use. It is specially adapted for hotels, large buildings and private residences, and is a combination furnace combining the hot air and hot water features, and is guaranteed to last for many years. These furnaces as they become better known are becoming very popular, and are being rapidly introduced into hotels and private residences, where great heating capacity, combined with an economical use of fuel are the main objects sought for. The office and showrooms of the company are located at 443 Queen street west. The company also carry a large line of furnace cement, asbestos, etc., and all descriptions of tin-smithing are promptly attended to. M. C. Sellers is a Scotchman by birth, a thoroughly practical workman who gives to his business that close supervision which is the sure guarantee of success.

#### SMITH BROS.

THE oldest and one of the largest carriage and wagon works in Toronto is that of Messrs. Smith Bros., located corner Duke and Parliament streets. This prosperous and extensive business was originally established in 1843 by Mr. Wm. Smith, an Englishman and a pioneer settler of Toronto. He continued this industry till 1886, when he retired in favor of his sons, Messrs. Fred W. and Sid. Smith, who have been brought up to the trade, and are thoroughly practical and expert carriage and wagon builders. They occupy a spacious four story brick building, the first floor being utilized for the blacksmith and iron working shops, the second for offices and wood working departments, while the third floor is devoted to trimming and painting, and the fourth floor to stock and show rooms. Quality of work has ever been the first consideration with this reliable old house, and the vehicles turned out by the firm are unsurpassed for strength, elegance of design, finish and desirability, while the prices quoted by them are extremely just and moderate. Messrs. Smith Bros. give special attention to repairing, repainting and trimming, and carefully build lorries to order, while they make a specialty of street sprinklers and fire apparatus. Orders are carefully filled, and the trade of the house now extends throughout the entire Dominion and Nova Scotia. Twenty-five first-class workmen are employed and all work is fully warranted. Messrs. Fred W. and Sid. Smith are natives of Toronto. They are highly regarded for their strict probity, and justly merit the pronounced success they have acquired and held for so many years in this important industry.

#### MISS A. M. BARKER.

AT the present day to intelligent and industrious young men and women, few pursuits offer so many attractions as that of stenography. If they add to this art a practical knowledge of typewriting they will be enabled to secure excellent positions and good pay. In this connection we desire to make special reference to the Shorthand and Typewriting Schools of Miss A. M. Barker, in the Nasmith's Block, at 51 King street east. These schools were in-



augured by Miss Barker in 1892, and fits students for careers of usefulness in the above branches. Miss Barker teaches the Pitman system of shorthand, which is pronounced the best and most practicable, and the fee in connection with typewriting is very moderate. The schools are open day and evening, and only competent assistants employed. Miss Barker is a lady well known in this city, and was for a time shorthand teacher in Barker & Spence's Shorthand and Business School.

**GEO. B. MEADOWS.**

**A**N old established and reliable house in this section of the city, actively engaged in the manufacture of wire goods, is that of Mr. Geo. B. Meadows, whose Toronto Wire Works are situated 128 King street west, opposite the Rossin House. This industry was established in 1854, by Mr. W. H. Rice, who was succeeded by Mr. T. G. Rice. Eventually, in 1892, Mr. Geo.



B. Meadows purchased the business. Mr. Meadows is a thoroughly practical and expert wire-worker, who possesses an intimate knowledge of the requirements of patrons. The premises occupied comprises a spacious three-story building, 55 x 186 feet in dimensions. The factory is equipped with the latest improved machinery and appliances operated by electric power. Here fifteen skilled hands are employed, who turn out all kinds of wire cloth, wire work, iron bedsteads, ornamental wrought iron work, bank and office railings, elevator guards, forgings, bird cages, etc. Only the best materials are utilized, and a specialty is made of bank,

office and elevator grille work, and ornamental iron work. All work is executed under careful supervision, and the wire goods are unsurpassed for quality, finish and uniform excellence, while the prices quoted are extremely moderate. Mr. Meadows was born in Kingston, Ontario. He is widely known for his integrity, and was for several years manager for Thos. Davidson & Co., Montreal. Orders are immediately filled, and the Telephone call of the office is 1760.

**YE OLDE BOOKE SHOPPE.**

**F**OR upwards of ten years "Ye Olde Booke Shoppe," located at 353 Yonge street, has been well-known to the citizens of Toronto and is to-day the leading headquarters in the city where old and rare books may be obtained. The present proprietor, Mr. Frank Porter, purchased the business some five years ago from its founder, Mr. C. Boyle, who established it in 1883. His stock of books contains all the ancient and modern literature of the present time, including standard works in law, science, medicine, chemistry, astronomy, theology and histories of all nations, besides biographies of all noted men of ancient or modern times. The stock is gathered from every quarter of the globe and many of the books here obtained are rare and hard to be found. Mr. Porter also carries a comprehensive line of high school, college and university text books both new and second hand, as well as books for School of Pedagogy and Normal schools; also keys to all the classics and general reading matter. Mr. Porter is a Canadian by birth and a most courteous and obliging gentleman as well as a thoroughly energetic business man with whom it is a pleasure to deal.

**J. F. YOUNG & CO.**

**T**HIS business was established in 1883 by Messrs. Young, Andrews & Co., who dissolved partnership in 1890, when Mr. J. F. Young continued on his own account under the firm name of J. F. Young & Co. Mr. Young has had long experience in the produce commission trade, and gives personal supervision to all sales. He makes prompt returns by cheque for all sales every week, and has excellent cold storage for the use of his customers. The premises occupied at 74, Front street, east, comprise a commodious three-story brick building with cellar 22 x 45 feet in area, the first floor being devoted to offices and salesroom, the 2nd and 3rd floors to storage, while the basement is utilized for butter and potatoes. Mr. Young deals largely in butter, eggs, cheese, poultry, fruits and vegetables, which are offered to customers at the lowest ruling market prices. He is in correspondence with the leading producing centres, and

is always among the first to receive consignments of the new season's produce. Five men are constantly employed and the trade of the house extends throughout Ontario. Mr. Young makes a specialty of butter and eggs, in which he offers substantial advantages to the trade. He was born in Canada, and has resided in Toronto for the past six years. He is an honorable and energetic business man, and his steadily increasing trade is a compliment as well accepted as it is deserved.

**MEDLER & ARNOT.**

**I**N the city of Toronto no firm stands higher than that of Messrs. Medler & Arnot the widely known dock, elevator and bridge builders whose offices are located Berkeley and Esplanade streets. This extensive business was established in 1876, by C. Robertson & Co., who conducted it till 1888, when on the death of Mr. C. Robertson, Messrs. Medler & Arnot succeeded to the control. Both partners are thoroughly practical contractors and engineers, who have faithfully executed many important contracts in Toronto and elsewhere. They promptly build and furnish estimates, plans, etc., for docks, bridges, elevators, houses, and make a specialty of pile driving and ship carpentering. One hundred skilled workmen are constantly employed by the firm, and they also execute contracts for trestle work and station buildings, closely following specifications and speedily complete all contracts let to them in a first-class manner. Orders are immediately attended to at the lowest possible prices, and their work is highly endorsed by leading engineers and architects. Messrs. Medler & Arnot were born in Canada. They are honorable business men and those securing their services in their important lines of contract work can rely upon obtaining advantages difficult of duplication elsewhere.

**A. F. ROCQUE.**

**A**MONG the old established business enterprises that have come into well merited prominence none is more deserving of special mention than that of Mr. A. F. Rocque, dealer in dry goods, ladies' and gents' furnishing goods, etc., at No. 286 Queen street east. Mr. Rocque founded this business some twenty years ago and his house has ever since been a favorite source of supply for the leading families of the eastern section of Toronto. He has built up a large and first-class trade, and once a purchaser at his store is to become a regular customer. It is tastefully fitted up in modern style, and well stocked with a choice, elegant assortment of all kinds of fancy and staple dry goods, including dress fabrics in all the new popular styles, linens, laces, ladies' and men's



furnishings, trimmings, notions, domestics, etc.; also ladies' cloaks and mantles in perfect accord with the prevailing fashions. The house also makes gentlemen's fine shirts to order, guaranteeing a perfect fit at popular prices, and displays a splendid assortment of handsome neckwear, hosiery, gloves, etc. Mr. Rocque is a native Canadian and one of Toronto's most popular and highly esteemed merchants.

#### FARR & FARR.

THIS business was originally established in 1870 at Davisville by Mr. A. Farr and seven years after a removal was made to the corner of Yonge and Price streets in this city. In 1882 he sold out and engaged in exporting cattle to Europe and the United States. In 1891 he formed a partnership with his son under the present name and style and have since occupied stall 5 in the St. Lawrence market. The Messrs. Farr carefully select all the cattle they use which are obtained from the best producing sections, and slaughtered and dressed under their immediate supervision and at their neat, clean, well-kept stall is to be found the choicest and best fresh beef, mutton, pork, veal and lamb, and a choice assortment of all kinds salt and smoked meats, also poultry and game when in season. A first-class family, hotel and restaurant trade is supplied by the firm and a large business is done with dealers.

#### L. DUBOIS.

THIS enterprise was established by its present proprietor some years ago, and through shrewd efficient management, coupled with a straightforward system of honorable dealing, Mr. Dubois has very deservedly reared a large and increasing business connection with both consumers and the trade. The premises occupied at 13 Toronto street are ample in dimensions, embracing offices, salesrooms and storage vaults, in every respect admirably adapted for the advantageous prosecution of the business. The stock is an admirably selected one, and embraces Burgundies, white dry wines, ports, sherries, brandies, gins, Scotch, Irish, Canadian and American whiskies, liqueurs, ales, porters, and mineral waters, both imported and domestic. A heavy demand is supplied, the trade extending to all parts of the Dominion, all orders being met on the most equitable and reasonable terms. Mr. Dubois is a native of the vine-growing district of Bordeaux, France, and has naturally a training for this class of business, which subsequent experience has simply matured, and we deem it perfectly safe to make the statement that no keener connoisseur of wines and liquors is to-day conducting business in the Queen City. Personally he is a gentleman largely endowed with the qualities that invariably lead to success

and is deservedly held in high esteem both in social and business circles.

#### JOSEPH FINN & CO.

AMONG those well known as leading representatives of Toronto are Messrs. Joseph Finn & Co., who have devoted many years to its study and who have been established in it for a period of fifteen years and in that time executed considerable work which in every instance was entirely satisfactory. They are located at 606 Queen street west, where they occupy a well equipped store and workshop and keep a full assortment of plumbers' supplies and materials, also gas fixtures, chandeliers, globes, etc. Messrs. Finn & Co. arrange and regulate drainage, ventilation, etc., fit up baths, sinks, closets and are expert sanitary plumbers, and have the reputation of being the best in the city. They contract for fitting up buildings and residences for the introduction of water and gas and furnish estimates on application. They also attend to repairing and employ only the best skilled workmen who are under their immediate supervision.

#### BULL'S HEAD HOTEL.

ONE among the popular and excellent hosteleries in this city is the Bull's Head Hotel, located near the cattle market, corner Niagara and Wellington streets, of which Mr. John Beer is the wideawake and genial proprietor. This house was opened in 1892 and in this short time has become very popular under his excellent management. It is three stories, and basement, and is constructed of pressed brick and makes a fine appearance. The hotel contains forty large, airy and well-ventilated bed rooms, all neat and well furnished. The dining room is large and commodious and capable of accommodating seventy-five guests at a time and is in all respects splendidly fitted up. The prices are governed by the greatest moderation, ranging from \$1.00 to \$1.50 a day only. Attached to the hotel is a fine large bar supplied with fine liquors and choice cigars for the convenience of guests. On the premises stabling room is afforded for a number of horses and also a large driving shed for vehicles. Mr. Beer seems to have left nothing undone in the arrangement of his hotel which conduces to the comfort of guests and the convenience of conducting the business.

#### F. E. DIXON & CO.

THIS business was established in 1872 under the style of Dixon, Smith & Co., and so continued up till 1876 when Mr. F. E. Dixon purchased his partner's interest and the business has been conducted under the present style ever since. The firm occupy at 70 King

street east a commodious four-story brick building 28 x 135 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with all the latest improved machinery and appliances necessary to the business. The firm are manufacturers of pure bark tanned patent lap joint, Star Rivet Leather Belting and are also dealers in rubber and cotton belting, lace leather, etc. The firm use only pure bark in the manufacture of their belting, while it is a well-known fact that cheap belting is made from leather chemically tanned. The plant operated by the company is one of the largest in its special line in Canada and is a model establishment in every respect. On the first floor are the offices and belt manufactory, on the second the stretching room and on the third the drying and currying rooms and twelve expert hands are regularly employed. The firm make a specialty of large driving belts, having manufactured the largest driving belt in Canada which was a thirty-eight inch belt. Their trade now extends throughout every portion of the Dominion and three travelling salesmen are regularly employed on the road. The firm are also large dealers in rubber and cotton belting, lace leather, etc., and are sole agents for the celebrated Phoenix belt oil, the only perfect belt dressing.

#### FISHER'S EXPRESS LINE.

A REVIEW of the business of a city like Toronto would be quite incomplete with bringing to public attention one or more of the concerns and establishments in the various lines represented. Hence the writer's intention is to cover the various lines of business as fully as possible. In this connection reference is made to the business or industry conducted and carried on so ably by Mr. M. Fisher—a necessity to all large communities. In 1872 Mr. Fisher established what is now well-known as "Fisher's Express line," for the moving of all kinds of household goods, pianos, furniture, baggage, etc., which has grown to a business of large proportions. He runs six teams, which are constantly engaged. Furniture, baggage and pianos are handled with the greatest care and moved to all parts of the city or to the country in safety and without the least damage, and at moderate rates. In the moving of pianos he uses his own patent piano truck that is a guarantee against all accidents. All orders are promptly attended to and the best satisfaction guaranteed. Baggage is secured by check to all stations. He employs a number of assistants who are experienced in the transfer of all goods and who are careful and take all pains to guard against the least injury to any article handled by them. Mr. Fisher superintends all work of this kind entrusted to him and his telephone number is 3091, by which means he may be communicated with by those desiring any expressing done. Mr. Fisher's business offices are located at Nos. 553 and 813 Yonge street.



**MRS. M. J. PEAL.**

A POPULAR establishment in this city is that of Mrs. M. J. Peal, at No. 398 Yonge street. This lady has been engaged in her present line of business, that of dealing in Berlin wools, fancy goods and materials for needle work, since 1881. She occupies a neatly fitted up store and keeps a carefully selected assortment of goods, embracing everything in her line of European and home production of a superior quality and is moderate in her prices. A specialty is made of stamping and pinking and for this purpose Mrs. Peal has many new handsome designs. She also makes a specialty of mounting fancy needle work and fancy goods to order. Mrs. Peal is an English lady and has resided in Toronto for many years.

**GIBSON & THOMPSON.**

AMONG the recently established concerns that have met with rapid success must be mentioned that of Messrs. Gibson & Thompson, dealers in stoves, ranges and furnaces, whose finely stocked salesrooms are located at 435 Yonge street. Both these gentlemen were formerly with the well known house of J. R. Armstrong & Co., and during the twenty-five years' experience with the above house, gained a thorough knowledge of the business. They carry a large stock of stoves, ranges and furnaces of the best makes, and are thoroughly equipped to execute all classes of heating and ventilating, tin-smithing and job work. They carry a full line of Gurney's stoves, ranges and stove furniture, which are conceded to be the best in the market, and a line of furnaces which, for heating private residences, cannot be excelled, and these are set up at a reasonable cost and put in successful operation. Their warerooms are 20 x 75 feet in dimensions and are stocked with a fine line of stoves, ranges and stove furniture of every description. Both partners are Canadians by birth, honorable and reliable in all their dealings.

**WHITE & COMPANY.**

THERE is probably no line of business so closely allied to the comforts of home living as butter, cheese, lard, egg and dairy product business, as these goods are a necessity in every home. Among the largest wholesale dealers in this line in Toronto, is that of Messrs. White & Company, commission merchants, whose office and salesrooms are situated at 70 Colborne street. Mr. R. D. White, who is one of the proprietors, first commenced business in 1878, at Hallowell Mills, Prince Edward Co., Ontario. Eventually, in 1879, he removed to Picton, Ontario, and afterwards removed, December 1892, to Toronto, when he opened his present establishment.

Mr. White occupies a warehouse 25 x 85 feet in area, including a spacious storeroom for butter and fruits—tropical and native. He deals largely on commission in tropical fruits, apples, butter, eggs, potatoes, fish and produce, a specialty being made of apples, and the trade of the house extends throughout Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. Mr. White's motto is "Small profits and quick returns." He was born in England, and came to Canada with his parents when eight years old, who settled in Prince Edward Co. He is an honorable and able business man, who is very popular in trade circles.

**C. T. ENRIGHT.**

IN any city of the size and wealth of Toronto, the supplying of the population with meats and meat-products, is a business of ever growing dimensions. In the foremost rank in this line we find Mr. C. T. Enright, who, in addition to handling at wholesale and retail, all kinds of fresh and salt meats, smoked hams, bacon, pickled tongue, etc., is an extensive manufacturer of sausage and bologna, and prime kottle-rendered lard. Mr. Enright is a native of Toronto and has had an experience in this line of trade extending over a period of nearly twenty years, during twelve of which he was connected with The Davies Pork Packing House. In 1887 he embarked in business on his own account, and has built up a trade which extends to all parts of the Dominion. Mr. Enright occupies a three-story building, having a frontage of 23 feet by a depth of 160, which is located at No. 278 King street east, and besides supplying a permanent family custom, fills orders at wholesale for the trade. He also handles poultry and vegetables in season and has two wagons in steady service, calling for and delivering city orders. The Telephone call is 2943. Mr. Enright is doing a splendid business and enjoys the confidence and regard of all having dealings with him.

**DILL & O'HEARN.**

AMONG the most talented of the eminent painters and decorative artists in this city are Messrs. Robert Dill and James O'Hearn, who form the firm of Dill & O'Hearn. They have been established in this business since 1889, and during the four years that have intervened, have executed a vast amount of work. Both partners are native Canadians and were brought up in this city, where they are well and favorably known and are endorsed by property owners, builders and architects. They employ from 16 to 25 workmen, who are under their immediate supervision. House, sign and ornamental painting and paper-hanging are executed, and as decorators and painters of buildings and dwellings, and as designers,

they harmoniously blend colors and tints, and produce brilliant, striking and pleasing effects. The place of business, No. 212 Queen street west, is 20 x 30 ft. in dimensions, it is one of the oldest paint shops in the city, being first established in 1865 by Mr. John Dill, senior. A specialty is made of graining and marbling, under the supervision of Mr. O'Hearn, who is a leading exponent of the fine art. Estimates for all kinds of decorative work are given, and while the charges are always reasonable, the fullest satisfaction is guaranteed. Both partners are leading exponents of their art and highly esteemed members of the community.

**QUEEN CITY CARPET WORKS.**

THE Queen City Carpet Works were established in 1887 by Mr. F. Berner, and some months ago passed into the hands of his brother Mr. Fred Berner, the present proprietor, under whose able direction and management the business has greatly increased, and a large trade is widely diffused throughout Ontario and portions of the United States. The works are located at 102 Queen street east, and are admirably fitted up and equipped with looms and all appurtenances for turning out work of a superior quality. All kinds of two-ply union and all-wool carpets are manufactured, and home-made carpet weaving is made a specialty. Experienced hands are employed and business is active and brisk. Mr. Berner is a native of Switzerland, but has been in Toronto a number of years. He is a thorough-going, active, enterprising business man, well known in commercial circles.

**T. MCILROY**

ONE of these useful establishments, whose existence is a boon to any locality in which they may be located, is that of Mr. T. McIlroy, dealer in staple and fancy dry goods and general furnishings, at No. 368 King street east. It was founded by the present proprietor some fifteen years ago, and under his able and efficient management has long been a leading and popular emporium in the east end. It is the center of a brisk and active family trade, and its patronage is of a permanent and substantial character. A comprehensive stock is carried, embracing everything under the term of fancy and staple dry goods, house linens, towellings, napkins, domestics, cottons, gingham, prints, etc., ladies' and gents' furnishing goods, carpets, oil cloths, linoleums, rugs, draperies, curtains, portieres, etc. These goods are all purchased at first hand from the most reliable sources, and are offered to the public at extremely low prices. A specialty is made of the manufacture of fine shirts and overalls to

order, a perfect fit and excellent materials being guaranteed in every instance. Mr. McIlroy is a man of long experience in this important branch of trade, and his success has been achieved by industry and honorable methods.

#### J. MUNN.

**A**MONG the old and well known and representative jewelry houses of Toronto is that conducted by J. Munn, located at 798 Yonge street. Mr. Munn died some time ago, and the business has since been conducted by his widow. Mrs. Munn is middle aged, an intellectual and smart business lady and a good saleswoman, who gives her time and attention to the store. She employs a skilled jeweler and watchmaker, who executes all work done in the best possible manner, rendering the greatest satisfaction to the many patrons of the house. The business was founded twenty-three years ago and has come to be known as one among the most reliable and reputable establishments in the community and is doing an excellent business under Mrs. Munn's good management. The house is well located, occupies ample room and is handsomely fitted up. All goods are precisely as represented, and prices for work or any article in stock are as moderate as those of any other reputable house on the street.

#### MISS DALTON.

**O**NE of the best patronized establishments of its kind in this city is that of Miss Dalton, the popular milliner and dress maker located at 356 1/2 Yonge street. The premises comprise three floors, and a choice assortment of the latest French, English and American millinery and novelties is kept in stock, also dress trimmings and everything pertaining to the business. Miss Dalton is a lady of exquisite taste and judgment. She is always one of the first to display the new seasons fashions and as a consequence her patronage is drawn from the most fashionable people. Twenty skilled milliners and dressmakers are employed. Hats, bonnets, and mourning millinery, dresses, etc., are made at the shortest notice, and especial care and attention given to wedding outfits. Miss Dalton is very moderate in her prices, and among her permanent patrons are the best of families in Toronto. She is a native of Canada and has been established in business in this city nine years.

#### THE YORKVILLE LAUNDRY.

**O**NE of the oldest and best establishments of its kind in Toronto is the Yorkville Laundry at 43 Elm street, which was started by Mr. H. D. Palser in 1877, and which for first-class work and promptness is not surpassed. The establishment is well equipped with all necessary appliances and a number of dexterous hands kept constantly employed in the different departments. A specialty is made of family laundry, particular attention being given to fine fabrics. Shirts, collars and cuffs are laundered in a superior manner and work is called for and delivered without extra charge. Mr. Palser is moderate in his charges and unremitting in his attention to please patrons. He has resided in Toronto twenty years, and throughout his long business career enjoyed a success as well merited as deserved. Among his permanent patrons are many of the leading families of this city and vicinity, by whom he is highly endorsed and recommended. Telephone call, 1580.

#### W. T. MULLETT & CO.

**T**HIS business has been established ten years, and under the able direction and management of the firm a large, first-class, substantial trade has been secured. The building at 738 Queen street east, 20 x 75 feet dimensions, and in the salesroom a large, full and complete assortment of goods is carried, comprising everything in the line of general hardware. The house has always been known as a reliable one to deal with and the firm deservedly enjoy the extensive patronage with which it is favored. Mr. W. T. Mullett has had a long, valuable experience in this business and is favorably known in this community. He was born and raised in Canada, and resided in Toronto for some years. A branch house is maintained at 243 Broadview avenue.

#### W. J. CORIN.

**O**NE of the best house and sign painters in Toronto is Mr. W. J. Corin, proprietor of the C. Corin painting establishment at No. 1 Adelaide street east. The business was established as long ago as 1854, by Mr. C. Corin and subsequently came under the control of the present proprietor. The premises utilized at the above address and a shop 60 x 80 feet on Grange Avenue, are well arranged for the business, and a number of skilled hands kept constantly employed. House, sign and ornamental painting is executed by Mr. Corin, also lettering for the trade, which is a specialty. Plain and fancy signs

are also a specialty. Mr. Corin displays remarkable good taste and judgment in all work of this kind, and many of the handsome signs to be seen on the business houses in this city are his handiwork. He was born and raised in Toronto and is widely known as a reliable business man.

#### THE ALBION.

**T**ORONTO possesses some very fine and noteworthy hosteleries and prominent among these ranks The Albion Hotel. The present proprietor, John Holderness, is an accomplished hotel man, who, with an experience of some twenty odd years has been successful in thoroughly mastering the difficult art of catering to the wants of the public. The Albion Hotel was first opened to the public in 1868 under the present



name. The structure comprehends no less than one hundred and forty well ventilated and admirably furnished light rooms. The equipment includes all the latest ideas, electric bells, annunciators, electric light plant, fire escapes, handsome billiard parlors, barber shop and kindred accessories, while the heating, ventilating and general sanitary arrangements simply leave nothing that the most fastidious guest could desire. As a matter of fact, the Albion Hotel presents a combination of recommendable features at a mere nominal fee of \$1.00 per day, which few if any hotels in the Dominion of Canada encompass. Mr. Holderness is of English nationality and was born in Yorkshire. He migrated to Canada some thirty-seven years ago, and prior to engaging in the hotel business was favourably identified with the cattle raising and blooded stock importation industry. To those desirous of enjoying the comforts of the home coupled with the luxury of the modern hotel, we know of no house in the "Queen City of the Lakes" which present these characteristics in their most perfected form than does the Albion Hotel.

## THE SPEIGHT WAGON CO.

IN the manufacture of express, light delivery and heavy team wagons, a representative and old established house in Toronto is that known as the Speight Wagon Company, whose factory and showroom are situated at 7 Ontario street. This business was founded at Markham in 1830 by Mr. Thos. Speight, who was succeeded by Speight & Sons. In 1882 the Speight Manufacturing Company was



organized, and in 1888 the name was changed to the Speight Wagon Company, Mr. T. H. Speight being the manager. He is a young man of first-class ability, and under his management the success of the company is bound to continue. The company's head offices and factory are at Markham, Ont. The Toronto establishment is a substantial four-story building 25x65 feet in area, fully equipped with every convenience. Mr. Jas. Speight, the manager, has had long experience and possesses an accurate knowledge of the requirements of the most exacting patrons. The Speight Wagon Co. manufactures farm wagons, carriages, buggies, cutters and sleighs, and makes a specialty of express and heavy team wagons. A large and choice stock is always on hand, and the prices quoted in all cases are extremely moderate. Only the most carefully selected lumber and the best materials are utilized, and the vehicles produced are unsurpassed in the Dominion or the United States for strength, elegance of design, durability and workmanship. Orders are carefully filled and the trade of the company now extends from Halifax to Vancouver. Mr. Speight was born in Markham in 1830 and travelled several years for the firm. He is highly esteemed for his business capacity and integrity, and the success achieved by him is but the just reward of his energy and industry.

## W. T. PEMBER.

ONE of the most popular ladies' hair dressers and wig makers in Toronto is Mr. W. T. Pember, whose handsome store, hair dressing parlour and manicure establishment is at No. 127, Yonge street, four doors south of the arcade. Mr. Pember is a native of West England, and prior to engaging in business on his own account in 1892 was with Armand and Dorenwend of this city. Mr. Pember manufactures to order wigs, toupées, curls, bangs, switches, etc., and also keeps a full stock of hair goods, hair jewelry, perfumes, face powders, cosmetics, etc. Hair dressing, shampooing, etc., is a specialty, and when desired, engagements are made and promptly attended to at residences, and all his work is done in the most satisfactory manner. Mr. Pember is an artist in his line, while prices are governed by moderation, and among his patrons are many of the leading families of the city.

## NOBLE &amp; CO.

A BUSINESS that has grown in importance the past decade is that in which Messrs. Noble & Co. are engaged: picture and show card framing, established by the firm in 1886. A flat in the building, No. 81 Colborne street, is occupied, and the firm frame pictures of all kinds, also photographs, crayons, advertising cards, etc., and make a specialty of advertising frames. They also manufacture and keep in stock frames of every description, wall pockets, music stands, easels, etc., and the trade is both wholesale and retail. Besides the workmen employed in the factory and framing department, several canvassers are employed who solicit orders, and pictures are called for and delivered without extra charge. A native of Canada, Mr. Noble has resided in Toronto fifteen years.

## NATIONAL AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE CO., LIMITED.

AMERICAN manufacturers are fast coming to understand that Canada opens up a vast field for operations, and as a result many of them have established branch companies in this country, among them being the well-known National Automatic Vending Machine Co., Ltd., whose New York office is located at 29 Murray street, where is also the company's factory, and the Toronto office at room No. 84 Canada Life Building. The Canadian company was incorporated in February of this

year with a capital stock of \$40,000, and since its inception has enjoyed a most prosperous career. The company are manufacturers of all classes of automatic slot vending machines, which are too well known to need any extended description in these pages. Mr. P. H. Atkinson is the popular manager and treasurer of the Canadian company and is likewise a native of Canada. Since assuming the control of the company's interests in the Dominion he has built up a large trade, extending to all parts of the country. From the moment the company's machines were introduced into the Dominion they won a most popular favour, and the demand for them is constantly increasing. The factory in New York city is thoroughly equipped with all the latest improved machinery and appliances and an ample force of hands constantly employed. The company's offices in this city, located in the Canada Life Building, are spacious and handsomely fitted up. The Telephone call is 2103.

## MALCOLM McBAIN.

A REFERENCE to the business of the merchant tailor at once suggests the establishment of Mr. Malcolm McBain, No. 31 Queen street west. Mr. McBain, who was born in Scotland, where he learned his trade, came to this city in 1871 and has been established in business six years. He was a member of the firm of McFarlane & McBain until 1890, when he succeeded to the business and has since enjoyed a well merited success. His stock embraces a complete assortment of English and Scotch woollens, worsteds, overcoatings, suitings, trouserings and vestings, also trimmings and linings. Mr. McBain makes a special business of fine custom work, and among his permanent patrons are many of the leading business men, and he also makes police uniforms to order and can always guarantee the best satisfaction in fit, material and prices. Mr. McBain is one of the best designers, cutters and makers of men's wearing apparel in Toronto.

## M. MOYER &amp; SON.

IF there is one establishment in this community that is appreciated by families more than another, it is that known as the Broadway Creamery. This store was founded and opened for business about five years ago by its present proprietors, Messrs. M. Moyer and his sons, Addison and Lanson. They occupy two spacious rooms, 40x75 feet—a double store, located at 408 Spadina avenue. One store is conducted as a special creamery, embracing dairy products of all kinds, the choicest of butter, elegant cheese, the richest of cream and purest of milk, also fresh eggs, all of which are received daily from

the farm. The other store handles and carries in stock the best of meats, pork, lard, canned goods, fish, fruits, vegetables, etc., making a specialty of different kinds of sausages, which are taking the lead in the city. This house caters to the best trade and therefore handles the best to be had in all its lines and has secured a splendid patronage. Two wagons are run continually, delivering to its many customers, and all orders are attended to with care and promptness, which is a prominent characteristic of the proprietors. They mean business and do business, and do it thoroughly. All are hard workers and very industrious in their business. This establishment is a great convenience and a credit to the community. Its prices are governed by moderation.

#### STEPHEN MCNERNEY.

THIS establishment in all respects is an admirably equipped and first-class one and receives an influential and substantial patronage. The stable building, located at 230 King street west, is well lighted and ventilated and the sanitary arrangements perfect. A splendid line of hacks, coupes, victorias, pleasure vans and light livery rigs are always in readiness and careful, reliable drivers only employed. Reasonable prices is the rule at this establishment and prompt service. Mr. McNerney is a careful business man and untiring in his endeavors to please patrons. He is a native of Ireland, but has resided in Toronto for some time, and for the past twelve years established in the livery business.

#### HARRY WEBB.

THE catering business is one requiring peculiar tact as well as a high order of intelligence. The leading representative of this business in Toronto (and we may safely say in the Dominion) is unquestionably Mr. Harry Webb, who has devoted many years to the study of the gastronomic requirements of the people of Canada, and has made fine art in table effects an especial study. His wedding cakes and dinner outfits are sent not only through all Canada, but throughout the United States, and occasionally across the Atlantic. He commenced business in 1874 at 483 Yonge street, and in three years the premises became too small and he bought and fitted up premises 30x130 at Nos. 443 and 447 Yonge street, where he has now one of the best equipped catering and confectionery establishments in Canada. He delivers his celebrated brands of bread to over 1,600 houses in the city daily. He also opened up and carries on a restaurant at Yonge and Melinda streets, and in connection with this a spacious ball room

and banquet hall, which is by far the most attractive and best of its kind in Canada. It is well patronized by the elite of Toronto. In fact, there is nothing in the catering or furnishing line, worth having that cannot be found at Harry Webb's.

#### H. E. PEAGAM.

THIS industry was established several years ago by the present proprietor, who is a thoroughly expert and practical manufacturer of gold band and English mats, and supplies the leading photographers in Toronto. He is the only manufacturer of these goods in Toronto, and he makes a specialty of producing English Show Mats. Mr. Peagam likewise manufactures gold band and English mats, gilt bevelled edge mounts, gilt bevelled serrated edge mounts, while he also attends carefully to bevelling and re-mounting. He occupies a commodious 2nd floor at 32 Temperance street, 40 x 60 feet in area, which is fully equipped with special machinery and appliances, operated by electric power. Orders are promptly filled at the lowest possible prices, and the trade is strictly wholesale.

#### MISSSES BRYDON & WALKER.

AMONG the attractive establishments on Yonge street, that of the Misses Brydon & Walker, milliners and importers of millinery goods, is one of the most popular. It is located at 285 on that thoroughfare and is fitted up in a tasteful style. The display of millinery is one of the finest to be seen in the city, and comprises the latest Parisian, London and New York styles in elegant hats and bonnets and also ribbons, laces, silks, velvets and millinery goods of every description. Misses Brydon & Walker are always among the first to introduce the new styles, and as they are moderate in their prices have secured a first class, fashionable patronage. They both possess most excellent good taste and judgment, and are practical milliners of many years' experience. They have been associated and established in business for a period of eight years. Telephone call 1719.

#### JOHN KELLER.

AMONG the attractive business establishments in this city is that of Mr. John Keller, the well-known furrier, situated at 105 Queen street east. Mr. Keller, who was born in Germany, where he became a practical and proficient furrier, came to this city in 1858 and at once started in business and has since secured a firm hold on public favor and confidence, and secured a large first-class patronage. He occupies a two-story building 13x60 feet dimensions and is well prepared and

equipped to attend to the requirements of the public. In the salesroom a fine display is made of furs of all kinds, for ladies and gentlemen, the assortment embracing seal sacsques, cloaks, gloves, robes, etc., of a superior quality. Every description of furs are made up to order and a perfect fit and the best satisfaction guaranteed. Furs are also cleaned, dyed, repaired, altered, to the prevailing styles, and every care and attention is paid to customers.

#### J. W. ISAACS.

THIS gentleman is a native of England, and had long experience in merchant tailoring while yet a resident of that country. He is a practical cutter and fitter, and a direct importer of fine woollens and tailors' trimmings, and displays as handsome and elegant goods as any establishment in Toronto. Tweeds, woollens, worsteds, beavers, naps, meltons, etc., for both suitings and overcoatings, are carried in large stock. In the make-up of suits or single garments the best of trimmings are used, and the workmanship is of the best and guaranteed. Mr. Isaacs is a close student of the fashions and follows them to perfection. He is one of Toronto's really artistic tailors. There is no doubt but that gentlemen who require anything in Mr. Isaacs' line will find it a matter of interest to themselves to get his quotations in prices. Mr. Isaacs is an excellent and popular business man and citizen, and is located at 1382 Queen street west.

#### R. B. LINTON.

AMONG the most expert exponents of the art of wood-working in this city special mention should here be made of Mr. R. B. Linton, the widely known cabinet manufacturer, whose place of business is located at No. 101 Ontario street. He embarked in his present enterprise on his own account in 1885, and by his ability, energy and industry, combined with honorable and upright methods, has achieved marked success. The workshop, which is 40x60 feet in dimensions, is complete in all its appointments, being equipped in the most complete manner with the latest wood-working machinery, and steady employment is given at all seasons to a competent force of skilled workmen. Mr. Linton gives his attention to all kinds of plain and fancy wood-turning and shaping, band and gig sawing, and all kinds of machine and bench work. He makes a specialty of fine cabinet work, furnishing estimates on application, meeting orders promptly and satisfactorily, and guaranteeing first-class work in every instance, and at moderate prices. Mr. Linton has been a resident of Toronto for fifteen years.

**PARK, BROTHER & CO., Ltd.**

ONE of the leading concerns in the world engaged in the manufacture of tool steel is that known as Park, Brother & Co., Limited, whose Black Diamond Steel Works are located in Pittsburg, Pa. They are also proprietors of the famous Lake Superior Copper Mills. This company has branch houses in New York, Boston, Hartford, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Syracuse, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, New Orleans, Chattanooga, Cincinnati, also in Montreal, Toronto and London, England. The Toronto branch, which is under the able and careful management of Mr. R. S. Deacon, is situated at 25 Melinda street. Mr. Deacon has had charge of this branch for the last seven years. He occupies a spacious floor 25 x 120 feet in area, where a heavy stock of the company's steel is always on hand. The company's tool steels are known under the titles of "Superior Brand," "Extra Special Brand," "Silver Brand," and "Black Diamond Brand," and these brands of steel have no superior in America or Europe. The company's "Extra Special Brand" is the highest grade of steel produced for general use, and is suitable for tools of fine quality and high cost. The other brands are equally good, and the demand for them is steadily increasing not only in America and Europe, but also in India and Australia.

**LYMAN, KNOX & CO.**

THE headquarters of this concern are in Montreal, where it occupies two immense five-story buildings on St. Paul street, each one being 45 feet by 200 in dimensions. Here a large force of hands is employed in the manufacture of absolutely complete lines of fluid extracts, elixirs, solutions, tinctures, pills, powders, etc. In every case quality and purity are made the first considerations, and a large portion of the medical profession prefers to prescribe medicines composed of Lyman, Knox & Co.'s drugs, and thus make sure of their thorough efficiency. Their trade having grown to such extended proportions in Ontario and west, the firm, in March 1890, established their Toronto branch, which occupies the entire building, five stories in height, 25 feet by 125 in dimensions, at 43 Colborne street. Mr. G. H. Clarkson is the general manager, and brings to bear special qualifications, having had vast practical experience, as he was connected with Lyman Brothers for a period of 10 years, and may with truth be said to have grown up in the business, practically understanding every detail. Mr. Clarkson is a popular and respected young business man, and is a most capable representative of this the leading house in its line.

**JOHN BETHEL.**

THE enormous increase in the demand for carriages and wagons of all grades has rendered their manufacture a prominent industry in Canada. Among the most widely known concerns whose productions are in constant and ever increasing demand is the Ontario Carriage and Wagon Works, of which Mr. John Bethel is the able and enterprising proprietor, who succeeded the late well known firm of Clark Bros. some years ago. The business was originally founded in 1863 and is one of the oldest and best known in its line in the city. Mr. Bethel is a gentleman who has had long experience in this line of business and possesses an intimate knowledge of all the details of the business and the requirements of the public. The works are located at the corner of Elizabeth and Albert streets. Seven skilled hands are given constant employment and he has established a reputation which has secured for him a widespread trade. The stock carried embraces fine carriages, landaus, broughams, victorias, surreys, phaetons, buggies, carts, sleighs, etc., while any desired vehicle can be made to order on short notice and its prices are as low as the superior quality of his work will permit. Mr. Bethel is a native of Ireland and came to Toronto upwards of thirty-two years ago and enjoys the esteem of all who know him.

**REEVE & CHILD.**

A NEWLY established and reliable firm in Toronto actively engaged in house painting and decorating is that of Messrs. Reeve & Child, whose store is situated at 126 York street. This prosperous business was established in 1891 by Messrs. C. Reeve & H. J. Child, who have already secured a liberal and influential patronage. They are thoroughly practical designers and decorators, and make use of the finest imported wall papers, papier mache, solid and fibrous relief etc. Fourteen skilled hands are employed, and they attend carefully to painting, frescoing, glazing, sign writing, etc., at the lowest possible prices consistent with superior work. The premises occupied comprise a commodious three-story brick building 76 x 20 feet in area, fully equipped with every convenience. Here they keep a heavy and choice stock of the finest imported wall paper, dados, friezes, glass, centrepieces, mouldings, etc., which are offered to customers at extremely low figures. Messrs. Reeve & Child were born in England. They are widely known for their skill and strict integrity, and those contemplating painting and decorating their stores, residences, etc., would do well to consult them before going elsewhere. The Telephone call of the office is 5600.

**JOHN MITCHELL.**

THE Ontario hack, coupe, livery and boarding stables at the corner of Duke and George streets, form one of the best known and liberally patronized establishments of the kind in this city. This business was established twenty-eight years ago by Mr. John Mitchell, who conducted it until the year of his untimely death, 1891, and has since been carried on for his estate, the management being vested in his son, Mr. James Mitchell. The premises are spacious and commodious, having a frontage of 164 feet on George street and 100 on Duke. The building is well ventilated, drained and lighted, provided with telephone service, call 670, and Mr. Mitchell has forty horses for purposes of hire, and some of the finest and most stylish equipages to be found in the city. These stables are headquarters for the sale and purchase of all kinds of horses, and Mr. Mitchell also has superior accommodation for the boarding of horses by the day, week or month; competent grooms look after the animals thus entrusted to the house, and they are supplied with the best fodder and oats at reasonable prices. Mr. Mitchell has spent the whole of his life among horses and is considered an authority on all relating to them. He was born in this city, and is certainly, as manager of this leading concern, the right man in the right place.

**RUSSELL HOUSE.**

IT can truthfully be said that Toronto is well supplied with first-class hotels. A recent addition to its list is the Russell House, which was opened during the present year and which has so far met with a large measure of success. Mr. Alex. W. Burgess, the enterprising proprietor, is an old experienced hotel man, having for many years owned and operated the Alberta Hotel at Calgary. The Russell House is new throughout and fitted up at great expense, having all modern improvements. The building is a fine three-story brick structure 91 x 120 feet in dimensions, containing sixty sleeping apartments, all well lighted and ventilated. The dining room, which is a model of neatness, has a capacity for sixty guests and the cuisine is all that could be required. The hotel is supplied with a fine bar where only first-class liquors, wines and cigars are served and a first-class livery is also connected. The Russell House is conducted on the American plan, the rates being from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day. The hotel is located at 217 Yonge street, in the business portion of the city, cars passing the door to all parts of the city. Mr. Burgess is one of our most popular and enterprising hotel proprietors, and we bespeak for him a successful career in this city.



**ALEXANDER THOMSON.**

ONE of the oldest and best known manufacturers and dealers in harness, saddles, etc., in Toronto is Mr. Alex. Thomson, of 319 Yonge street. He has been established in this business for a period of 30 years and has always sustained a high reputation for the superiority of his goods and low prices. The building occupied is 25 x 75 feet in dimensions and the salesroom is attractively fitted up with plate glass show cases, etc. The stock of goods comprises harness, saddles, bridles, whips, fly nets, robes, blankets and horse clothing of every kind, veterinary goods, valises, trunks, etc. Medicine cases and probangs are made to order, and valises repaired. Mr. Thomson manufactures light and heavy, single and double harness to order, in the best manner, finished in any style of mountings desired and fully guarantees all his work for strength and durability. A native of Canada Mr. Thomson has, during his long residence in Toronto, been successful as a business man and enjoyed the esteem and confidence of all his many patrons.

**JOHN BILLINGHURST.**

AMONG our young, enterprising and successful merchants is Mr. John Billinghamurst, wholesale dealer in brushes, whips and specialties, whose office and sample rooms are located at 60 Yonge street. Mr. Billinghamurst established his business in 1891, and is fast developing a business of extensive proportions. He carries one of the best selected and most comprehensive assortments of brushes, whips and specialties, to be found in the city, and does a business amounting to between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars annually, and employs two travelling salesmen on the road. He purchases his goods from the best producing sources in England, and in the United States from New York and Westfield, Mass., as well as Toronto, and his trade extends throughout the Dominion to British Columbia. Mr. Billinghamurst is an Englishman by birth and is fully endowed with that push and enterprise which are the sure basis of success. The Sanderson & Co.'s standard brushes, for which Mr. Billinghamurst is the agent, have no superiors in the market, and are highly recommended.

**W. P. KEARNS.**

THIS house has been in successful operation for close to forty years, and its trade during all that time has been of a most substantial and gratifying character. Mr. Kearns, who was born in Ireland, came to this country as a boy and learned his trade in Montreal under the old system of apprenticeship. Having acquired a thorough practical knowledge of the business in all its branches, he removed to this city in 1855 and founded his

present establishment. He was for many years located at No. 179 King street east, but owing to the growing requirements of his rapidly and steadily increasing business he was compelled in 1881 to seek more spacious quarters, which he found at his present address, corner King and George streets. Here he occupies two floors, each being 15 x 25 feet in dimensions. The salesroom and workshop are in every way admirably adapted for the purposes to which they are devoted. The workshop is equipped with all the latest improved mechanical appliances for the economical and successful prosecution of the business, and several hands, skilled and experienced in their trade, are steadily employed.

**WM. JOHNSON.**

AMONG those enterprises that have in a comparatively brief period attained well-deserved prominence in Toronto may be mentioned that of Mr. Wm. Johnson, practical cabinet and picture-frame maker, whose office and shop are located at No. 415 Spadina avenue. This gentleman was born in Yorkshire, England, and there acquired that thorough practical knowledge of his art which has since won him marked success. He has had an experience extending over a period of twenty years, and in 1892 he embarked in business on his own account in premises located at the corner of Spadina avenue and Harbord street, shortly afterwards removing to his present address. He occupies two floors, each 15 x 37 feet in dimensions, and well adapted for the advantageous prosecution of his business. Mr. Johnson makes a specialty of manufacturing fine furniture to order, also to repairing and picture framing to order.

**J. J. WALSH.**

THIS gentleman is a reliable butcher and has always made it his aim to supply the choicest and finest fresh beef, pork, veal, mutton and lamb, also salt meats, and has achieved a wide reputation. He caters to the very best family and hotel trade and to leading dealers, and has all the necessary conveniences for the preservation of meats, the speedy handling of supplies and filling orders. He slaughters the finest and best fat cattle and always has meats that are of a superior quality. A native of this city, Mr. Walsh has always resided here, and has been a butcher and meat dealer twenty years. Every attention is paid to orders, and three competent assistants employed. Mr. Walsh is very popular and enjoys the confidence and esteem of all having dealings with him. He is located at 33 St. Lawrence Market.

**A. J. STEWART.**

ONE of the best practical pastry cooks and confectioners in this city is Mr. A. J. Stewart, who has been established in the business a period of eight years, and occupies a three story and basement building, 20 x 65 feet in dimensions, at 410 Queen street west. The store and ice-cream parlors are tastefully fitted up, and the bakery is perfectly equipped and complete in all appointments. Pastry of all kinds is baked fresh daily, also plain and fancy cakes; also bon-bons, confectionery.



chocolates, jellies and ice-creams of all flavors are made on the premises. Family orders are filled and delivered promptly. Wedding cakes are also made to order, and every attention paid to the requirements of patrons. Mr. Stewart is a professional caterer and takes charge of banquets, dinners, etc., and has a wide reputation, and is a thorough master of the business. He was born in Canada, and is well known in this city, and altogether is doing a large and prosperous business.



**GEORGE ANDERSON AND CO.**

**T**HIS firm are extensive manufacturers of seal and fur goods, in which industry they have won a high reputation and a widely extended trade. They occupy the premises No. 50 Bay street, which are admirably arranged and heavily stocked with the finest furs. This business was established in 1892 by Mr. George Anderson, under whose able and spirited management it developed into the proportions of an extensive and prosperous enterprise. Mr. Anderson also represents



Macqueen & Co., hat and straw manufacturers, of England. His own manufactured garments and articles made by this house are unsurpassed for beauty and originality of design, superiority of workmanship, as thousands of the best dressed ladies in Toronto and other cities know through personal experience. Here are always in stock comprehensive assortments of caps, gloves, muffs, capes, collars, fur coats, robes, etc., all of the best materials, skillfully made, beautifully trimmed and finished, and quoted at remarkably low prices. He brought to the business an experience attained in the best markets, and is an authority on the prevailing

styles and fashions, and offers his handsome goods at prices that will compete with those of any other first-class house in the Dominion of Canada. Mr. Anderson is a native of Toronto and is inspired with the determination to excel and give the best value of any wholesale house in Canada. He is highly esteemed by the community for his just methods and integrity and his success is as substantial as it is well merited. Telephone call, 1571.

**WILLIAM ROBERTS.**

**A**MONG the enterprising young men in this city is Mr. Wm. Roberts, cabinet maker and carpenter, who is located at 31 Queen street east, where he occupies a well equipped workshop and employs expert workmen. Mr. Roberts was born in England and is a practical cabinet maker. He has resided here for some time and has been established in business since 1879. He makes a special business of manufacturing furniture of all kinds to order; also show cases in any size or style, writing tables, desks, etc., attends to all work pertaining to the carpenter or joiner and also pays particular attention to repairing and jobbing, executing all work entrusted to him with promptness and dispatch. He is a first-class master workman, moderate in his prices and the work turned out is unsurpassed in neatness and finish. He is popularly known and has always sustained a high reputation.

**W. MURCHISON.**

**T**HIS gentleman is an experienced druggist and chemist and a graduate of the Ontario College of Pharmacy. He is a native of Canada and a young man of splendid abilities, and has established a most excellent reputation by his straightforward business methods and uniform courtesy and pleasant manner of treating patrons. He has been established in business a period of ten years and occupies an attractively fitted up store, 22 x 65 feet in area, at 1418 Queen street west, and is conducting it with professional knowledge and skill according to modern ideas. Mr. Murchison keeps in stock a full line of drugs and medicines, chemicals, surgical appliances, supplies for the sick-room, tinctures, extracts, etc., and also toilet requisites, perfumery, and everything that pertains to the business.

**O'CONNOR HOUSE.**

**A**WELL-KNOWN establishment in this city is the O'Connor House, R. J. Fielder proprietor, situated at the Hay Market. This now ably conducted hostelry was opened in 1875 by Mr. P. O'Connor, and in

1884 he was succeeded by Mr. R. H. Reid, who changed the name to the Reid House. In 1889, Mr. R. J. Fielder secured possession by purchase and adopted the original name. The building is a four-story brick structure, 42 x 80 feet in dimensions, contains thirty neatly furnished sleeping rooms, elegant parlors and dining room, and his tables are always bountifully supplied. Mr. Fielder is a direct importer, and has the finest European and American wines, liquors, Havana cigars, Irish, Scotch and pure old rye and Bourbon whiskeys, also Canadian whiskeys and English ale, Canadian ales and lager beer. A native of London, England, he has resided in Toronto twenty-three years, twelve of which he has been engaged in the hotel business.

**BLONG'S BAZAAR.**

**T**HIS business was founded in a modest way in 1886, since when from a small beginning it has steadily grown in importance and magnitude. The premises at the corner of King and Market streets are 75 x 85 feet in area well arranged for the large and diversified assortment of goods that is carried, comprising crockery, notions, novelties, toys, fancy glass, tinware, cutlery, etc., and the assortment is the best and most complete to be found in the city. Experienced clerks and assistants, some sixteen in number, are employed. Mr. J. H. Blong, the agreeable proprietor, is a native of Toronto, born in 1850 and throughout his successful business career has always pursued a liberal, honorable policy towards his patrons. The trade, which is both jobbing and retail in character, is not confined to Toronto, but comes from all parts of the Province of Ontario.

**W. C. ADAMS.**

**O**NE of the oldest and most successful dental practitioners in Toronto is W. C. Adams, whose tastefully fitted up reception parlors and operating rooms are at No. 95 King street east. Mr. Adams is a thoroughly trained and highly educated dentist and has been practicing his profession since 1854. He is especially successful in preserving neglected teeth, correcting deformity, and filling and extracting teeth by the latest improved methods, and makes a special business of bridge and crown work. Mr. Adams' splendid artificial work is highly commended and he enjoys a large patronage which comes from the best classes. He is a native Canadian and has always been popular in professional and social circles during his long residence in the Queen City of Canada. Dr. Adams occupies an office in connection with Dr. Culbert, a young practical dentist and graduate of the Royal Dental College.

**H. A. WRIGHT.**

ONE of the best established business in the real estate line in this city is that of Mr. H. A. Wright, who is also a general financial agent, valuator and accountant. Mr. Wright's experience in this business has been a long and valuable one, and he is well versed in all the details pertaining thereto. He handles and deals in all kinds of city and suburban real estate, negotiates loans on bonds and mortgages, takes the entire charge of the management of estates, pays taxes, attends to repairs, secures tenants and makes a special business of collecting rents and chattel mortgages by warrant, also serving papers for solicitors. Mr. Wright is thoroughly informed and well prepared to give an authoritative opinion on the value of improved and unimproved property, and is a thorough business man and popular citizen and has hosts of friends in the best commercial and social circles. Mr. Wright has been established in business a period of five years and occupies a well appointed office, No. 95 Victoria street.

**W. J. BAINES & CO.**

ONE of the best known among the representative members of the Toronto Stock Exchange is Mr. W. J. Baines, who is conducting large operations, and occupies an admirably equipped office in the York Chambers, No. 9 Toronto street. Mr. Baines has been identified with stock operations many years and has secured a large influential patronage. The business he is now conducting was originally established by Hime, Baines & Co., subsequently continued by W. C. Baines, and finally came under his control. Mr. Baines buys and sells, on commission only, Canadian, English and American stocks, bonds, debentures, etc. Full quotations are received regularly from New York, Chicago and Montreal, and any information or advice is gladly furnished. Mr. Baines' business connections are of the most reliable, while his own reputation and standing as a stock-broker and business man are of the best character. He is a native of Canada, and for many years has resided in Toronto.

**TRELOAR, BLASHFORD & CO.**

FOR many years the manufacture of iron castings has constituted one of the most important Canadian industries. Among the reliable houses engaged in this line in Toronto is that of Messrs. Treloar, Blashford & Co., whose Dominion Foundry is situated at 6 and 8 Berkeley

street. This business was established in 1883 by Messrs. Treloar & Blashford, both of whom are thoroughly practical iron foundries. The foundry and workshops are 200 feet square, and 35 skilled workmen are employed, who turn out all kinds of architectural and machinery castings, columns, etc., and their castings are unsurpassed for smoothness and finish. They cheerfully furnish estimates for any description of castings, and attend carefully to designing and pattern making. The principal business of the firm, however, is engine, pump and house work. They have built the pumping engines and produced a part of the castings for the City Water Works to the entire satisfaction of the officials. Orders are promptly filled at the lowest prices consistent with the best materials and workmanship. Messrs. Treloar and Blashford were born in Toronto. They are active competitors for business, liberal and just in their dealings, and are recognized as agreeable gentlemen with whom to enter into business relations. The telephone call of the office is 1498.

**P. MCINTOSH & SON.**

THE most important firm in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs P. McIntosh & Son, millers and wholesale dealers in grain, flour and feed, whose offices and warehouse are centrally situated at 81 Front street east. They are extensive manufacturers of high grade flour and breakfast cereals, their mills being located at 109 Front street east. This business was established twenty years ago by Mr. P. McIntosh, who eventually admitted his son into partnership. The warehouse is a spacious three-story building, 33 x 500 feet in area, fully supplied with every facility and convenience, and here they keep a heavy and choicest stock of grain, flour, cereals, feed, etc., and are the largest dealers of hay in the city. They also export hay extensively to Great Britain, France, Germany, and employ constantly thirty men and two traveling salesmen. The lowest prices prevail, and the trade of the firm extends throughout the entire Dominion. The partners are natives of Toronto, and are widely known for their business ability and promptness in meeting engagements, and are greatly respected in leading commercial circles. The telephone call of the house is 2237.

**CHICAGO RESTAURANT.**

THE well known Chicago Restaurant at 119 Bay street is not only popular on account of its cleanliness and the promptness meals are served, but the substantial bill of fare served daily, and the low prices that prevail. Mr. Thos. Hayes, the genial proprietor, is a native of Chicago,

where he kept a restaurant for some time. He came to this city in 1887, and has since been doing a large prosperous business. The dimensions of the restaurant are 20 x 90 feet, and accommodation is provided for one hundred guests. It is tastefully appointed and is kept delightfully cool in summer time by fans operated by electric power. The restaurant is open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on Sunday from 7.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Meal tickets are sold at the following low rates: \$2.25 for \$2.00, and \$1.10 for \$1.00. Single meals are served at ten cents each, which includes vegetables, bread, butter, tea or coffee. Oysters are also served, when in season, raw or stewed at equally low prices. Mr. Hayes is a thorough business man, and gives the greatest satisfaction to be had in Toronto.

**WILLIAM J. FOY.**

THE best practical watchmaker and repairer in Toronto is unquestionably Mr. William J. Foy, a gentleman of mature experience, and well and popularly known in this city. As a watch specialist he has no superior, and his services are always in demand by the trade and citizens. Mr. Foy is located at 25 Leader lane, where he has a tastefully fitted up establishment, and is admirably equipped for all practical purposes of his business. Watches of all kinds are thoroughly repaired by Mr. Foy in the best manner and warranted. He also changes key winding watches to stem winding, and all his work is executed with skill and precision in a superior manner. He is endorsed and recommended by the leading jewelers, and among his references are the representative merchants and business men of the city.

**JOHN W. SCALES.**

UNQUESTIONABLY the most reliable and successful tobacconists' supply house in Toronto is that of Mr. John W. Scales, situated at 56 Yonge street. Mr. Scales has resided in this city many years, and established in business since 1865, and has always enjoyed a large wholesale trade, which comes from all parts of the Province of Ontario. The premises are 25 x 75 ft. in area, convenient and well arranged for the business. Mr. Scales is a direct importer of Havana cigars, cigarettes of the most popular brands, also fine cut and plug chewing tobaccos, smokers' articles and sundries, pipes, snuff, and deals in all kinds of Canadian tobaccos. He can always quote the lowest prices and fully guarantees all his goods to be strictly as represented. He is well and popularly known, and as a business man and citizen always enjoyed the esteem and confidence of all having dealings with him.

### ONTARIO FLOUR & FEED CO.

A POPULAR and prominent representative house in its line is that of the Ontario Flour and Feed Co., with office and warehouse at 317 Yonge street. This now flourishing business was established eighteen years ago by T. and J. N. Andrews, and Mr. James Taylor succeeded to the business seven years ago, and not only retains the old-time customers, but greatly extended the business. The premises have a front of 25 and a depth of 125 feet, and in every way adapted for the purposes of the business. The stock is of the best quality and comes from the most reliable producers in the country, and consists of high grade rolled flour, oatmeal, cornmeal, pot barley, fine pease meal, hominy, all kinds of coarse grain and hay and straw. The lowest market prices are always quoted, orders expeditiously filled and the best satisfaction guaranteed. Mr. Taylor is a native of Canada, and well and popularly known in commercial circles.

### ALEXANDER GEMMELL.

WITHOUT doubt the best practical gentlemen's boot maker in this city is Mr. Alex. Gemmell, who has had many years experience in the business, and brings to bear upon it a full knowledge of its every detail. Mr. Gemmell is a native of Ayrshire, Scotland, has resided in Toronto many years, and established himself in business in 1854 at 12 King street west, removing in 1890 to the premises now occupied at 104 on the same thoroughfare. The store has a depth of 100 feet, and is arranged with an especial adaptability for the business. Mr. Gemmell makes boots and shoes to order, and fully guarantees a perfect fit, and the best materials only are used in his establishment. His patronage comes from the leading citizens, his splendid work is highly commended and his establishment was patronized by his Excellency the Marquis of Lorne when he was in Canada. Besides a large local custom he fills many orders from the leading citizens in all parts of the Dominion.

### JOHN SYMONS.

ONE of the most popular among the prominent family butchers in Toronto is Mr. John Symons, whose store is No. 223 Yonge street. He has been established in business since 1877. The premises occupied are 23 x 25 feet in dimensions, equipped with every convenience. He deals in the choicest meats obtainable, including fresh beef, veal, lamb, mutton, pork, superior corned beef, pickled tongues, sausage and poultry, and vegetables when in season. Orders are called for, and goods

delivered in any part of the city without extra charge. Mr. Symons has a high reputation for fair and honorable dealing, and is eminently popular with all classes of the community, and his aim throughout his business career has always been to supply the best of everything in his line at the very lowest prices, and his patronage now already large is steadily growing. He is of English birth and has resided in Toronto for some years. Telephone call 1442.

### CHAS. SPANNER.

AN establishment that never fails to attract the attention of passers-by is the handsomely kept, well stocked and brilliant jewelry store of Mr. Chas. Spanner, dealer in watches, jewelry and silverware, at 350 Yonge street. Mr. Spanner is considered one of the finest and best practical jewelers in the city, and has been established some years. He carries an elegant stock of watches, clocks, jewelry, precious stones, chains, charms, vases, silverware and other novelties found in first-class jewelry houses, and makes a specialty of fine watch repairing, his trade requiring the services of several skilled assistants. His store is of ample dimensions, elegantly furnished and fitted with all conveniences, large vaults, etc., and dazzling gems and highly polished jewels make a rich and handsome display. Mr. Spanner is a young man, a Canadian by birth, and an accomplished gentleman and business man of the highest order of ability, an expert in his profession. Those requiring anything in this line should not fail to call here, and inspect the well selected stock.

### JOS. J. FOLLETT.

AMONG those who have gained a wide reputation for their skill as merchant tailors in this city must be mentioned Mr. Jos. J. Follett, located at 181 Yonge street. Mr. Follett has been established in business several years, and has secured a large patronage, which comes from the leading citizens. He occupies a handsome store 25 x 100 feet in dimensions, and makes a fine display of splendid imported and domestic woollens, worsteds, tweeds, chevots, broadcloth, etc., for suits and trousers, also vestings, and overcoatings in all the new fashionable patterns. Mr. Follett is a talented master of his profession, he employs in the busy season upwards of fifty hands, and the work turned out from his establishment is unsurpassed in quality of material, style, fit, finish and workmanship. Mr. Follett is a native of Canada. He is a courteous gentleman, and popular with his many patrons, among whom are the best dressed men in the city.

### COPELAND & FAIRBAIRN.

MESSRS. Copeland & Fairbairn have been associated and established in business a period of nine years, and in that time they have been prominently connected with many important real estate operations. They buy, sell, lease, rent and exchange city and suburban building lots, business and residence property, and make a special business of the management of estates, paying taxes, searching titles, negotiating loans on bonds, mortgages, etc., and collect rents. They also undertake the management of timber and agricultural estates, act as valuers, and arbitrators, and being thoroughly practical judges are enabled to give an authoritative opinion on the value of property. Messrs. J. J. Copeland and W. H. Fairbairn were both born and raised in Canada, and have resided in Toronto many years, and are recognized authority as to real estate values. The office of the firm is at 14 Adelaide street east, provided with a telephone service No. 1137.

### JOHN MAX.

ONE of the best manufacturers of hair goods, theatrical wigs, etc., in Canada is Mr. John Max of this city, whose store and workrooms are at 162 King street west. Mr. Max, who was born in Germany, has had a varied experience in this special line of business, and has been established in it here since 1892. He occupies a whole flat, 30 x 100 feet in area, which is divided into sales, dressing, and work departments, a number of skilled hands kept constantly employed. Mr. Max manufactures all kinds of artistic hair work, chains, rings, charms, etc., also ladies' wigs, half-wigs, waves and bangs to order, likewise gentlemen's wigs and toupees, and makes a specialty of theatre work and renting to parties for amateur theatricals and masquerades. He is also agent for Chas. Meyer's grease, paints and powders. Mr. Max is a courteous, obliging gentleman, and sustains a high reputation in this community.

### GEORGE PEARSALL.

ONE of our oldest established and reliable merchants is Mr. George Pearsall, dealer in hardware, paints, oils, glass, putty, etc., whose fine establishment is located at No. 417 Yonge street, corner McGill street. This house was established twenty-four years ago, and under the able proprietorship of Mr. Pearsall, has long been a representative house in Toronto. The premises comprise a salesroom, 20 x 90 feet in dimensions, heavily stocked

with a complete line of general hardware, cutlery, agricultural tools, and farming implements, paints, oils, glass, putty, etc. The stock carried is one of the largest in its line to be found in this city, and only the best and most reliable goods are handled. Mr. Pearsall is one of our most indefatigable workers, and will be found at his desk early and late. He employs a competent force of clerks, and is untiring in his devotion to the interests of his patrons. He is a Canadian by birth, a prominent member of the Canadian Home Circle, as well as other organizations, and will always be found an honorable, upright business man.

### C. WILSON & SON.

IN the manufacture of butchers' tools, scales, etc., the most noted firm in the Dominion is that of Messrs. C. Wilson & Son whose offices and factory in Toronto are situated at 67 Esplanade street west. This business was founded forty-two years ago by Mr. C. Wilson, who conducted it till 1873, when he admitted his son into partnership. Mr. R. A. Wilson is a thoroughly expert machinist, fully conversant with every feature of this useful industry, and the needs and requirements of packers and butchers. They occupy a spacious three-story building, 40 x 317 feet in area, and some thirty skilled mechanics are employed. Messrs. C. Wilson & Son manufacture Wilson's Improved Scales, refrigerators, butchers' tools, counters, show cases, cooling rooms, etc., making a specialty of scales and butchers' tools, and the trade extends not only throughout the entire Dominion, but also to Australia. This is the leading house of the kind in Canada. Mr. R. A. Wilson is a native of Toronto. He is highly regarded for his business ability and integrity, and was for several years with the famous firm manufacturing the Fairbank Scales, and is a recognized authority on all kinds of weighing machines.

### WM. PICKLES.

THE well known Pickles' Shoe Store is one of the most popular establishments of its kind in Toronto. Mr. Wm. Pickles, the courteous proprietor, has been established in business a period of eight years, and in that time built up a large trade. Two flats are occupied, each 17 x 32 feet and a choice stock of boots, shoes, slippers and rubbers, for ladies', gentlemen's, misses' and children's wear is displayed. Mr. Pickles fully warrants all his goods to be strictly as represented, and among his permanent patrons are the best classes of the community. A native of England, Mr. Pickles came to Canada thirteen years ago, and throughout his business career has been successful and prosperous. His store is centrally located at

328 Yonge street, and is one of the most prominent on that thoroughfare. He obtains his stock of goods direct from the leading manufacturers, and is always one of the first to introduce new styles and fashions as soon as brought out.

### G. WARD.

THE history of the house of Mr. G. Ward takes one back almost to ancient history. Sixty years is a long time in the history of a Canadian city, and the necessities for change that occur so often do not tend to special longevity in business, without fundamental changes of organization. Mr. Ward founded the business, which he still so successfully conducts, at No. 103 Church street, in 1831, and he has for many years been quoted as a standard of mercantile skill and probity. He has gained a most enviable reputation as a manufacturing jeweler and watchmaker, and his patronage is derived from all parts of Ontario. His premises are 20 x 60 feet in dimensions, and his store is exceedingly attractive. Mr. Ward manufactures to order rings, chains, lockets, pins, charms, pendants, and emblems for Masonic and other orders, also medals of all descriptions, and executes electro-plating, chasing, engraving, and repairing of all kinds, a specialty being made of fine watch repairing, also of diamond cutting and setting.

### C. H. DUNNING.

ONE of the oldest among the popular family butchers is Mr. C. H. Dunning, who has been established in business since 1857, and throughout his long and successful career has always enjoyed the esteem and confidence of all his many customers. Mr. Dunning is located at 387 Church street, where he occupies a neat, clean, tastefully fitted store, equipped with ice-boxes and every convenience. He handles and deals only in the choicest and best quality fresh, salt and smoked meats of all kinds, also lard, sausage, poultry, vegetables and farm and dairy products. He makes a specialty of corned beef, hams, bacon, etc., and supplies a large first-class family trade, and while keeping the best quality meats and provisions is very moderate in his prices. He is ably assisted in his business by his son, a native of England. Mr. Dunning has resided in Toronto many years.

### A. E. FAWCETT.

ONE of the most reliable and prominent chemists and druggists in Toronto is Mr. A. E. Fawcett, who in 1880, succeeded to the business that had been established by Mr. C. Sheppard, eight years previously. Mr. Fawcett's experience as a chemist and druggist has been a

long and valuable one. He is located at 67 King street west, where he occupies a store 20 x 30 feet in area, fitted up in a handsome style, with plate-glass show cases and ornamental fixtures, and the stock embraces drugs, chemicals, pharmaceutical and proprietary preparations, druggists' sundries, toilet and fancy articles, perfumery, surgical appliances, etc. Mr. Fawcett is sole agent for the celebrated Strong's Baking Powder, which is always in active demand. He was born in this city, has always resided here, and is popular as a chemist and druggist. He is an active member of the mystic circles.



GROSVENOR HOUSE.

THIS building is a substantial three-story structure, 25 x 75 feet in dimensions, and is situated corner Yonge and Alexander streets. The house contains 50 rooms, and is neat, clean and well ordered. All the sleeping rooms are admirably lighted and ventilated, comfortably and nicely furnished. The dining-room, office, reading rooms, parlor and the bar are also attractively fitted up and furnished. The table is supplied with the best in the market, and no pains or expense are spared by Mr. Wismer to make guests feel perfectly at home, while the rates are but \$1 to \$2 per day. The house is well patronized by the traveling public and the citizens, and it is safe to say that no others, for the rates charged, afford better accommodation. Mr. Wismer, the proprietor, was born and raised in Canada, and has resided in Toronto a number of years. He is popular as a citizen, and as a landlord knows how to welcome the coming and speed the parting guest. The situation of the house is central and convenient, and the Yonge street cars from the Union station and to all parts of the city pass the door.

**D. W. ALEXANDER.**

**A** REPRESENTATIVE and one of the most important houses in its line in Toronto, is that of Mr. D. W. Alexander, manufacturer of sole leather, and dealer in hides, whose offices and salesrooms are centrally situated corner Church and Front streets. This extensive and steadily increasing business was



OFFICE &amp; WAREHOUSE, TORONTO.

established in 1875 by Mr. Alexander, whose trade now extends not only throughout the entire Dominion but also to the United States, Europe, Great Britain and South America. Mr. Alexander's tanneries are located at Huntsville, Bracebridge and Port Elgin, and employment is furnished to a large force of operatives. The trade is strictly wholesale, and the sole leather produced is unsurpassed for quality, durability and finish. Mr. Alexander imports hides from the United States and South America, and transacts a business of over \$600,000 annually. The warehouse is a spacious four-story brick building, 44 x 150 feet in area, the first floor being utilized for offices and the shipping department, and the second, third and fourth floors for the storage of leather and hides. Mr. Alexander makes liberal advances when required on consignments of hides, and promptly fills orders for leather at the lowest possible prices. He was born in Scotland, but has resided in Toronto for the last twenty-five years. He sustains a high reputation for just dealing, and is greatly respected in trade circles.

**CHERRY STREET HOTEL.**

**A** WELL-KNOWN and popular hotel in this city is the Cherry Street Hotel, Mr. J. J. Darcy, proprietor, situated at the corner of Cherry and Front streets. The building, a commodious brick structure, was originally a school-house for a period of 45 years. In 1890 it was remodeled and rebuilt into a hotel, and opened by Mr. Robert Irvine as The Irvine House. On the 20th June, 1892, he was succeeded by Mr. Darcy, the present proprietor, who refitted and refurnished the house

throughout and has since conducted it as the Cherry Street Hotel, in a manner greatly redounding to his credit. The house contains upwards of 40 neatly furnished sleeping rooms, besides ladies' and gentlemen's parlors, sitting rooms, a well equipped dining room and office. The very best to be obtained in the market is served daily in the dining room, and in the well kept bar can always be found the choicest imported wines, liquors, ales, beer, porter, stout and cigars. The house is but a short distance from the Don station of the Grand Trunk railway, and it has the reputation of being the best \$1.00 a day house in Toronto. Mr. Darcy is a social, genial landlord, and knows how to welcome the coming and speed the parting guest.

**F. WELSMAN.**

**A**LTHOUGH a comparatively young man, and established in business on his own account only since the summer of 1887, Mr. F. Welsman, "The Jeweler," at No. 780 Queen street east, has already acquired a patronage second to none in his line in this part of the city. The store is compact, ample, and neatly fitted up, the display being attractive, and a large assortment is kept constantly on hand. The stock includes handsome gold and silver watches of all the leading makes, superb diamonds and diamond jewelry, elegant novelties in earrings, pendants, brooches, lace pins, rings, scarf pins, chains, lockets, bracelets, etc., also French, Swiss and American clocks, solid silver and plated ware, art novelties, bronzes, opera glasses, spectacles, and other optical goods, and everything usually found in a first-class establishment of this kind. Repairing of all kinds is done in prompt and superior manner, while special attention is given to diamond mounting, and the setting of precious stones. Mr. Welsman is a thoroughly expert watchmaker and jeweler, and one of our most promising young business men.

**SMITH & CO.**

**T**HE firm of Smith & Co. are properly ranked among the leading exponents of the merchant tailoring art in Toronto, and sustain a well deserved reputation alike for fine workmanship and excellent fabrics, and for honorable and equitable methods of dealing with the public. The work turned out by them is of a very superior character, and first-class goods only are kept in stock, while moderate prices prevail. Mr. W. H. Smith was formerly in the same line of business in East Toronto. In 1890 he removed to this city, and has since been located at No. 284 Queen street west. Their sales-

room is neatly and attractively fitted up. They employ a competent force of skilled cutters and tailors, and keep on hand always a full and fine assortment of imported Canadian woollens and worsteds, fancy cassimeres, cloths, chevots, tweeds, diagonals, corkscrews, fashionable suitings, trousseings, overcoatings, etc., from which the most fastidious in dress can make selection. Mr. Smith is a thoroughly practical cutter and all-round tailor of ample experience, and is a master of the art in all its branches. He is of Canadian birth.

**WILLIAM BLAIKIE.**

**A**N industrial establishment of importance in Toronto is the brass foundry of Mr. Wm. Blaikie, located at 33 Richmond street east. Mr. Blaikie has had an extended experience in this business, and although only established a few months, he has built up a large and steadily growing trade. The premises are equipped with special tools and appliances, operated by electric power, and Mr. Blaikie manufactures all kinds of brass and bronze castings for outside work for the trade and also manufactures and deals in rabbit metal. He employs only skilled workmen, fills orders promptly and estimates are given for work of any magnitude and the best satisfaction guaranteed. A native of Scotland, Mr. Blaikie has resided in Toronto for some time and is well known. He is a progressive and enterprising business man, well deserving the success which has attended his ably directed efforts.

**SIMPSON & ARMSTRONG.**

**N**O other photographic establishment in the city presents in so perfect a manner the remarkable improvements made during recent years in the art as does the studio of Messrs. Simpson & Armstrong, which is located at No. 336 Queen street east. This is a young house, having been founded by these gentlemen in 1893, and already its patronage is of the most gratifying character. The premises consist of two floors, tastefully and elegantly furnished, and in the operating rooms are in use all the latest appliances, and the best of light accessories. Pictures are taken by the instantaneous process, and patrons can at any time have duplicate orders filled from the preserved negatives. Photographs of all sizes are taken, old pictures are recopied and enlarged, and portraits are likewise finished in oil, water colors, India ink, or crayon. The great secret in this art is the easy, life-like and natural pose given to the sitter and in this respect the gallery has gained a first class reputation. Both partners are thorough masters of their art. They are of Canadian birth.



**WM. ROBINSON.**

**A**BOUT the largest and best appointed store devoted to the sale of meats in this section of Toronto is that of Mr. Wm. Robinson, the widely known and popular family butcher, at No. 268 Queen street east. It is spacious, well kept, and in all respects a first-class establishment, the finest in the vicinity, and has a very large and influential patronage. Fine goods only are handled, while the lowest prices prevail. The store is 20 x 35 feet in dimensions, fitted up in first-class style. Several assistants are employed, and wagons call for and deliver orders at residences free of charge. A large and carefully selected stock is constantly kept on hand, and includes choice city dressed beef, Canada mutton, lamb, veal, pork, corned beef, fine hams and bacon, sausages, poultry and game in season, vegetables, lard, and all meat products. Mr. Robinson buys and sells on a cash basis, and is thereby enabled to offer to the public the choicest goods at prices that defy competition. He is a native of England, and is well worthy of the great success he has achieved. He has been engaged in this line of trade here since 1876.

**JAMES BONNER.**

**N**OWHERE in this city can there be found a finer stock of men's furnishings than in the establishment of Mr. James Bonner, at 173 Yonge street, which is without exception one of the few fine gent's furnishing establishments in the city. Established in 1868, its name has become the synonym of high character, and whatever is best in the market is always to be found at this house. The spacious store is one large emporium of fashionable and seasonable goods, containing a fine and varied stock of linen shirts, collars and cuffs, neckwear, underwear, hosiery, suspenders, handkerchiefs, etc. Mr. Bonner is a large importer, and purchases his goods direct from the best manufacturers and jobbers in England, Germany, France, and the United States, and offers to his customers the most seasonable and fashionable goods at most reasonable prices. A branch store is also operated at 211 Yonge street, and the trade of the house is drawn from the leading and best dressed citizens.

**D. L. SCHULTZ.**

**A** POPULAR establishment in this city is that of Mr. D. L. Schultz, importer of fine gent's furnishings, located at 346 Yonge street. This business was originally established in 1883 by Mr. Geo. Rogers, and a year after he was succeeded by Mr. Schultz. The store is tastefully arranged and fitted up, and the assortment of goods displayed one of the finest and best to be seen in the city,

and embraces new and fashionable neckwear, fine white and colored shirts, silk and woolen underwear, collars, cuffs, hosiery, gloves, etc.; fine shirts to order being a specialty, and every care is exercised to render the best satisfaction. Mr. Schultz is a Canadian by birth, and resides in Guelph, Ont. Mr. E. J. Fallis, who has the entire management of the business, is well known in this city. He is a practical business man, and enjoys the esteem and confidence of all having dealings with him.

**S. TIDY & SON.**

**A**MONG the best known florists in Toronto is the firm of S. Tidy & Son, whose handsome store is at 47 King street west, and green houses at 475 to 490 Ontario street. The business has been established since 1876 and a large trade built up. The store is tastefully fitted up and a fine display is made of cut flowers, vines, potted plants, etc. The green houses, seven in number, cover half a block and are equipped with a Gurney hot water heating apparatus for the cultivation of flowers. The firm make a specialty of roses and all kinds of flowering plants, and have the finest assortment to be found in the city. Flowers and plants are furnished for wedding parties, banquets, etc., and cut flowers and emblems for funerals. Mr. S. Tidy is a native of England, and his son and co-partner, Mr. C. J. Tidy, was born in Canada. They are both floriculturalists of many years experience, and reliable business men. The green house telephone is 3057.

**I. SUCKLING & SONS.**

**O**NE of the oldest and most reliable music houses in Toronto is that of Messrs. I. Suckling & Sons, established in 1875. Their elegant warerooms are located at 107 Yonge street, and for years have been a leading headquarters where not only the music loving public but the profession as well, could obtain the latest productions in the musical world. The firm are and have been for years the most extensive music publishers and importers in Toronto, and are well and favorably known throughout the province. The firm is composed of Isaac Suckling and his son George H. Suckling. The house has for many years enjoyed the support of the music loving public of Toronto.

**NEIL & CO.**

**A**MONG the foremost exponents of the photographic art in this city may be mentioned the firm of Neil & Co., at 193 Yonge street, of which Mr. A. J. Neil, the proprietor, is a talented artist. Mr. Neil, who is a young man, succeeded the firm of J. B. Cook some four months ago.

The business has been established some twenty years, and has become a leading headquarters in its line in the city. Photography in all its branches is executed in the highest style of the art. Fine portraits, view, and commercial work being a leading specialty, as well as society and college groups. The firm do a large amount of work for polo, lacrosse, cricket and other clubs. The pictures leaving this establishment are first-class in beauty of design, execution, pose, fidelity and finish. Only the finest and most expensive materials are used, while the prices are as reasonable as first-class work will permit, and the reputation of the house stands to-day second to none in the city for first-class work.

**N. ISAACSON.**

**A** WELL known boot and shoe store in this city is that of Mr. N. Isaacson, located at 485 Yonge street. Mr. Isaacson has been established in business since 1890, and occupies a fine and elegantly fitted up store 20 x 65 feet in area, and manufactures to order, and deals in fine footwear of a superior quality. The stock embraces everything new and fashionable for ladies, gentlemen, boys, misses and children, also rubbers, slippers, and fancy shoes, unexcelled for quality, fit, style, finish and durability, while prices defy competition. Custom work is executed to order, and repairing is neatly and promptly attended to, and the best satisfaction guaranteed. Mr. Isaacson enjoys the reputation of being an honorable, upright dealer, and has made his store one of the most popular in the city. He is a native of Germany, and has resided in Toronto for some time.

**TORONTO CARRIAGE WORKS.**

**A** FIRM well known in this city is that of Messrs. Cullerton and McGraw, proprietors of the Toronto Carriage Works, numbers 29 and 31 Agnes street. A number of skilled workmen are kept constantly employed, and all kinds of carriages and wagons are manufactured by the firm, and the work turned out unsurpassed in strength, durability and neatness of finish. Repairing is always promptly attended to and repainting carriages and wagons a specialty. Both members of the firm are practical men. Mr. Thomas Cullerton has resided for a period of eleven years in this city, and Mr. James McGraw was for fourteen years foreman of the painting department of J. P. Sullivan & Co's. Carriage Works. They build to order broughams, fine light coupes, Victorias, Gladstones, Surreys, and also light wagons, and fully warrant every vehicle turned out. Messrs. Cullerton & McGraw have been associated and established in business since 1891, and are doing a prosperous, steadily growing business.



**A. CRAWFORD.**

ONE of the most popular establishments of its kind in Toronto is the cigar store and billiard and pool parlor of Mr. A. Crawford. He has been established three years, and in that time gained a wide reputation for the quality of his cigars and tobaccos, and the courtesy accorded all patronizing his billiard parlor. The premises are 25 x 110 feet in area, located at 385 Yonge street. He keeps in stock a fine assortment of imported and domestic cigars of all the leading brands, also fine cut plug chewing and smoking tobaccos, cigarettes, pipes of all kinds, and smokers' articles. He deals in goods only of a high quality, and can offer the best inducements to all favoring him with patronage. Mr. Crawford is a native of Canada, wide awake and progressive, and well deserves the success which has attended his ably directed efforts.

**F. H. MOSES.**

AMONG the photographers in this city well deserving mention is Mr. F. H. Moses, a gentleman who has had a long valuable experience in the art. He is located at 301 Yonge street, and occupies a floor 25 x 75 feet in area, which is furnished in an attractive style. Mr. Moses is particularly successful in fine portrait work, groups and in taking the cherubic countenance of children and the dear babies, and his splendid work is unsurpassed in neatness, elegance of finish and permanency. He has been established in this city a period of two years, is moderate in his prices, and unremitting in his attentions to please, and during his business career has enjoyed an uninterrupted success. Mr. Moses makes a special business of copying and enlarging pictures, enamelling and also crayon, pastel, India ink, oil and water color work which is executed in the best style, and guaranteed to give satisfaction.

**BYRNELL BROS.**

A LEADING dry goods house on the west side is that of Messrs. Byrnell Bros., located at 1400 Queen street west. This enterprise was established some years ago and in 1890 came under the control of the present firm who were employed in the original house. Since they succeeded to the business they have added several new departments, and have increased the trade fully 25 % and the house has the well earned reputation of being headquarters for bargains in this section of the city. The premises comprise two flats 25 x 75 feet in area, and here is exhibited a large assortment of handsome silks, satins, and dress fabrics in every style, also laces, ladies' and gentlemen's furnishings, hats and caps, embroideries, corsets, sheeting, toweling, muslins, woollens, a full line

of oilcloths, etc., also millinery goods in great variety, trimmed hats and bonnets in the latest London, Paris and New York styles. They have also added a dress-making department and a full stock of Butterick's Patterns. Messrs. George and Albert Byrnell, the copartners, are both natives of Canada, and popularly known in the best commercial circles in this city.

**ALFRED E. MORSON.**

PROMINENT among the real estate dealers in this city is Mr. Alfred E. Morson, whose office is in the Bank of Commerce building, 274 College street, corner of Spadina avenue. Mr. Morson has been identified with the real estate interests of this city since he has been established in business, a period of four years, and has developed a connection of the most substantial character. He gives his attention to all branches of the real estate business, places investments and disposes of holdings for owners, and handles and deals in city and suburban improved and unimproved property and farm lands. He also rents and leases houses and lands, collects rents and takes the entire management of estates, etc. He also places insurance, and is the authorized agent for the Scottish Union and National Fire Insurance Co. He is the agent for the Niagara Navigation Co., and the Hamilton Steamboat Co., Niagara Falls Line, and also of the Ontario Coal Co. He is also agent for the Bank of Commerce building, in which he has a number of handsome offices for rent. Mr. Morson was born and raised in Canada, but has resided in Toronto for some years, and all interests entrusted to him will be attended to in the most judicious and trustworthy manner.

**A. CLELAND.**

TORONTO has a most important industry in the shoe upper and over-gaiter manufactory of Mr. A. Cleland. These goods are made in the best manner from the choicest materials, and embody all the improvements that the advanced requirements of the times demand. Mr. Cleland founded this business in 1892, and at once built up a large trade and influential business connections. His factory is centrally located at number 6 Teraulay street, and is three stories in height, and 20 x 50 feet in dimensions. Mr. Cleland is a practical man of marked skill and ability, and is a worker in every sense of the word, affording steady employment to a force of competent hands. His ambition to excel is generally recognized, his goods command the best class of trade on their merits, and are admittedly the best made in Canada. Mr. Cleland manufactures all grades, and the jobber and retailer will best consult their own interests by placing orders here. Mr. Cleland, who is of Irish birth, has been a resident of Toronto for the past twenty years.

**WM. J. GUY & CO.**

THE trade of the plumber, gas and steamfitter is well represented in this city by Messrs. Wm. J. Guy & Co., whose office, store and workshop is at 601 Queen street west. The business has been established ten years and in that time the firm has filled many orders and contracts in this city and vicinity. From eight to twelve skilled hands are employed and fine sanitary plumbing is a specialty, also gas, steam and hot water heating, fitting up baths, sinks, closets, etc., and in fact doing all work that belongs to the business, including repairing and jobbing, and all work is fully warranted. In the store a full stock of iron and lead pipe and fittings is carried, also gas fixtures, fancy globes in great variety, baths, closets, sinks and sanitary devices and supplies. Mr. Guy has had a valuable experience in all branches of the business and is recognized as a leading expert.

**TREMONT HOUSE.**

WITHOUT exception one of the best dollar a day houses in Toronto is The Tremont, J. Mannell, proprietor, situated at No. 163 Yonge street. This house was opened about 15 years ago, and was known as the Bay Horse. It has recently been thoroughly renovated and refurbished throughout, and the name changed to "Tremont." The building is a fine five-story brick structure, and all the rooms, 35 in number, are tastefully furnished, well ventilated and lighted. Mr. Mannell, the genial proprietor, is well versed in all that pertains to the conduct of a house of this kind. He provides liberally for his guests and in the dining room the best of everything is served. Connected with the house is also a first-class livery. Mr. Mannell was born and raised in Canada. He is an active hotel man, popular with his guests, and has always sustained a high reputation. In the bar only the finest brands of imported wines, liquors, ales, porter, stout and cigars are dispensed.

**F. SIMPSON.**

AMONG the well conducted business houses of Toronto engaged in the handling of food supplies, is that of Mr. F. Simpson, located at No. 713 Yonge street. The subject of this sketch is a native of England, but is well and favourably known here, having resided in Toronto for a number of years. His house was opened for business ten years ago and is one of the most popular of its line, and has established an excellent trade. It is a large store, occupying premises 20 x 90 feet, handsomely fitted up with plate glass windows, etc., provided with telephone service No. 3445, and in all respects convenient. Mr. Simpson's mission is to feed the people with the best going, and he does it. He deals in all the leading and

excellent varieties of fruits, apples, pears, plums, peaches fresh and canned, bananas, oranges, grapes, nuts, etc., also fish, game, poultry, oysters, and all vegetables in season. All kinds of canned goods are also dealt in and of choice brands. Mr. Simpson sells for cash and makes prices accordingly. Orders are carefully and promptly filled to the satisfaction of his large circle of customers, and this community can justly boast of this well kept house. Its stock is full, complete, and choice.

#### D. C. KERR.

NO city in Canada offers more attractions to the conservative investor than Toronto, and those desirous of taking advantage of the many opportunities offered here for the employment of capital, will be interested in a sketch of one of the safest and most prosperous firms doing business in this line, namely, Mr. D. C. Kerr, whose office is 51 King street east. Has been established in business since 1880, and in that time formed connections with a number of capitalists and owners of property of the most substantial character. He does a heavy business, and negotiates loans on first mortgages, stocks, bonds, etc., also investments, and in all transactions he will be found careful and reliable, enterprising and progressive.

#### D. H. CUNNINGHAM.

ONE of the most enterprising business men in the jewelry trade in Toronto is Mr. D. H. Cunningham, importer of diamonds, watches and jewelry, and manufacturing jeweler. This business was established in 1863 by Mr. Geo. Hodgins, at 77 Yonge street, from whom he purchased it, and recently removed to the premises now occupied at 169 King street east. Mr. Cunningham carries a large and valuable assortment of goods, including, besides elegant fashionable jewelry and diamonds, English, American, and Swiss watches, sterling silverware, etc. He also manufactures jewelry for the trade and to order, and gives his personal attention to fine watch repairing. Mr. Cunningham is moderate in his prices, and is a gentleman in whom the most implicit confidence may be placed. He is a native Canadian, a watchmaker and jeweler of ten years experience and has resided in Toronto since 1887.

#### G. S. CUMMINGS.

MR. G. S. CUMMINGS, dealer in portraits in crayon, India ink, and water colours, frames, mouldings, etc., whose studio and show rooms are located at No. 399 Spadina avenue, is widely and popularly known. This is the leading house of its kind in Toronto, requiring the services of twelve local and twenty traveling

agents. Mr. Cummings is a native of Boston, Mass., and graduated from an eastern college with the degree of M.D. He has had an experience in his present line extending over a period of ten years, and previously to coming to Toronto in April, 1893, carried on business during three years in Montreal, Que., and four years in Berlin, Ont., under the name of the Ontario Crayon Company. Mr. Cummings purchases his beautiful wares from the leading manufacturers of Canada, Germany and England, and an idea may be formed of the extent of his business when it is stated that in picture glass alone he purchases in quantities of from ten to twelve tons at a time. Mr. Cummings is a highly esteemed citizen, and commands the respect and confidence of all who know him.

#### W. SYDNEY MOUNTFORD.

ONE of the best machinists in this city is Mr. W. Sydney Mountford, who is well deserving mention. Mr. Mountford was born in Birmingham, England, came to Toronto in 1882, and, after becoming proficient in his trade, was for four years foreman in Wythe's Machine Works. He embarked in business on his own account in 1892, at 3 and 5 Adelaide street east, and in July last removed to 36 Richmond street west. The premises are 30 x 50 feet in dimensions. A number of skilled hands are employed, and Mr. Mountford manufactures small machinery of all kinds, also cutting, stamping, forming and combination dies, lathes, drilling machines, emery wheel stands, etc., and pays particular attention to making to order patterns, models or moulds in brass or iron. Mr. Mountford is a careful, reliable workman, and fills many orders from all parts of the Dominion.

#### W. B. WELLWOOD.

ONE of the most successful and prosperous business men in Toronto is Mr. W. B. Wellwood, dealer in tropical and Canadian fruits, confectionery, oysters, etc. Mr. Wellwood has been established in business since 1883, and commenced on Queen street west, removing a year after to the premises now occupied, a three-story building 20 x 70 feet in area, No. 164 Yonge street. The store is tastefully fitted up with handsome fixtures, and a large Matthewson soda fountain, and connected with the store is a neatly furnished ice-cream parlor. Mr. Wellwood makes a specialty of tropical and Canadian fruits and early American fruits of every variety, also prime oysters in season, and the best quality chocolates, bonbons, and pure confectionery. Ice cream and oysters are served, also delicious fountain drinks with pure fruit syrups, and everything in his line is the choicest. Mr. Wellwood is an enterprising Canadian and has resided in Toronto a period of ten years.

#### BENSON & CO.

A REPRESENTATIVE house of character and standing in the city is that of Benson, Ward & Co., dealers in wall paper and decorations, and house and sign painters, interior decorators, etc., established by the firm five years ago. The premises occupied at 81-83 Church street, are 25 x 100 feet in dimensions, and an extensive stock of goods is carried, comprising the newest designs in English, Canadian and American wall papers,



and interior decorations of every kind, also linen window shades, etc. The goods are all of a superior quality and among the finest to be found in the city. The firm furnishes estimates and enters into contracts for house, sign, and fresco painting, paper hanging, and interior decorative work, graining, glazing, kalsomining, etc. Fifteen skilled hands are employed and a special feature is made of glass signs of every description, and wooden signs of all kinds, and price tickets, also warehouse tinting, wire signs, etc. Mr. R. Benson, the active co-partner, is popularly known as one of the leading painters and decorators in this city. He was born in Canada and is well and popularly known in Toronto.

**G. V. FOSTER.**

**A**MONG those actively engaged manufacturing clothing in Toronto none are more practical or better qualified for the business than Mr. Geo. V. Foster. He is located at 32 Temperance street, where he occupies a flat on the 2nd floor of the famous Wesley building and is well provided with every convenience for conducting operations on a large scale. The sewing machines are operated by electric power and a number of operators kept constantly employed. Mr. Foster makes a specialty of manufacturing fine coats of the very best imported material for the trade and turn out on an average fifty per week. His work is executed with skill in a superior manner and the goods are always in active demand. Mr. Foster is a young enterprising business man and well deserves the success which has rewarded his ably directed efforts. He is a native of the State of Michigan and has resided in Toronto since 1887.

**E. PERRYMAN.**

**T**HE most fashionable and leading establishment in its line in Toronto is that of Mr. E. Perryman at 260 Yonge street. The business was established by Mr. Perryman twenty years ago and from its inception has been successful and prosperous. The store occupied is 40 x 100 feet in size and filled with a large assortment of goods comprising ladies' underclothing, baby linen, jerseys, boys cloth, Highland and Jersey suits, corsets, christening robes and cloaks, gloves, hosiery, table and glass linens, laces, embroideries, curtains, prints, cottons, blankets, ribbons, collars and wool goods of every description. Mr. Perryman also manufactures to order ladies' underwear, corsets, baby linen, etc., in the latest fashionable style and is very reasonable in his prices. He is of English birth, and has resided in Toronto since 1873. He is a courteous gentleman and has always sustained a high reputation as a business man and citizen.

**PARKDALE BAZAAR.**

**T**HIS business is admirably managed and from the outset has received a liberal patronage. The Bazaar is situated at 1420 Queen street west, and is tastefully fitted up and contains a large and varied assortment of goods embracing stationery of every kind, art goods, wall papers in new handsome designs, window blinds, prepared paints, picture frames, toys in endless variety, sheet music, music books, tennis outfits, sporting goods, fishing tackle, trunks valises, etc. The stock is large, full and complete and as popular prices prevail business is active and brisk. Newspapers, daily and weekly, and periodicals are also kept in stock and supplied at publishers' prices.

**L. FAREWELL.**

**O**NE of the most successful business houses in this city is that of Mr. L. Farewell the popular hatter and furrier located at 354 Yonge street. Mr. Farewell has been established in business since 1884 and has secured a large and influential patronage. He occupies two flats, each 20 x 60 feet in dimensions, and a fine display is made of the newest styles of hats of all the leading English and American makers, also caps and a complete line of elegant furs of every kind. Mr. Farewell imports and manufactures furs to order and in this special branch of his business he offers the best inducements in quality and prices. He is an active business man and has many friends in the best commercial and social circles. He was born in Canada and has resided in Toronto upwards of twelve years. Mr. Farewell is a leader in his line of business and always one of the first to introduce the latest styles in hats and furs.

**DENT'S DRY GOODS STORE.**

**A**WELL patronized retail dry goods store on Yonge street is that popularly known as Dent's at 330 on that thoroughfare. This now flourishing business was established in 1880 by the present proprietor and from the outset has been successful and prosperous. The store is 20 x 60 feet in area and in its fittings and appointments perfect and complete. A large stock of carefully selected goods is always carried, comprising silks and dress fabrics in great variety, also woollens, domestics, ladies' and gentlemen's furnishings, ribbons, laces, hosiery, gloves, domestics, notions, trimmings, etc. Prices are governed by moderation and as a consequence business is always active and brisk. Polite clerks are always in attendance and every attention given patrons. Mr. Dent is a native of England and came to Toronto fifty years ago from Searforth, Huron Co.

**W. WHARIN & CO.**

**T**HE establishment of Messrs. Wharin & Company, the well-known watchmakers and jewellers, is probably the oldest of its kind in the city of Toronto, and has at all times been one of the foremost and most liberally patronized. Mr. Wharin, who is the sole proprietor, the company being nominal, was born in England, and came to this city in 1843. Eleven years later he embarked in his present line of business, and is now located at 433 Spadina avenue, where he occupies a ground floor, 17 x 40 feet in dimensions, well arranged, and filled with a splendid variety of valuable and beautiful goods. Here are to be seen a large assortment of English, Swiss, and

American gold and silver watches, clocks, jewelry, silverware, spectacles and leading novelties. Gold and silver jewelry is manufactured and repaired on shortest notice, English, French and American clocks are repaired, silverware is replated, and spectacles are fitted to suit the sight. Special attention is given to the adjusting and repairing of fine articles, while prices are placed at the lowest point of moderation. Mr. Wharin confines himself to the handling of only first-class reliable goods, and is a recognized leader in his important branch of trade.

**T. WALKER.**

**T**HIS enterprise has been in active operation for close on to half a century, steadily growing in public favor, and fully sustains to-day its old-time reputation for stability and reliability, while its patronage is fully commensurate with its name and standing. The inception of this business dates from 1847, when it was founded by the firm of Walker & Wilson, of which the senior member was the father of the present proprietor. In 1872 he assumed sole control, and conducted the business alone until the year of his death, 1887, when he was succeeded by his son, an experienced practical man of unquestionable ability and reputation. The premises utilized at 119 George street have an area of 30 x 90 feet and are throughout well equipped for the purpose of the business. Four experienced assistants are employed, and as a horseshoer Mr. Walker has few, if any, equals in the city. Mr. Walker was born and brought up in this city.

**W. LLOYD WOOD.**

**O**NE of the most popular pharmacies in the city is that of Mr. W. Lloyd Wood, whose store at the corner of Church and Gerrard streets, is tastefully fitted up, complete in all appointments and well stocked with a choice carefully selected assortment of drugs of all kinds, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, perfumes, toilet articles, and supplies for the sick room. The prescription department is under the immediate supervision of Mr. Wood, and it is almost needless to say that physicians' orders are filled and medicines dispensed with the greatest care and accuracy. Pure fresh drugs, imported from leading manufacturers of England and United States, only are used, and patrons are always courteously treated. Mr. Wood is wholesale agent in Canada for Listerine and Lithiated Hydrangea, Fraser's tablet triturates, and Gilepin, Langdon & Co's. assayed drugs. The patronage of this establishment, now already large, is steadily increasing each succeeding year.

**DOANE BROTHERS.**

**DOANE'S** livery stables are first-class in every respect, and are admirably conducted by F. and J. Doane in a manner greatly redounding to their credit. The stables have been established 35 years, and since 1873 the premises now occupied at 621 and 623 Yonge street have been utilised. The building is two stories and basement high, 50 x 150 feet in area, and affords ample accommodation for 45 horses besides many carriages. Throughout the building is well ventilated, drained and lighted, and the sanitary arrangements perfect. Messrs. Doane own a number of fine stylish horses, and a number of fashionable coupes, hacks, victorias, phaetons, etc., which are kept for livery purposes, and orders for weddings, parties, theaters, shopping, also funerals receive immediate attention, and drivers in livery furnished when desired. Horses are boarded by the week or month and properly cared for, and the purchase and sale of horses negotiated on satisfactory terms. Messrs. Doane, who were born and raised in Canada, are popular with their many patrons, and alert and assiduous in their requirements. Their outfit of horses and carriages is one of the best in the city, while the charges are always reasonable. They are young man, active, progressive and enterprising, and employ fifteen stablemen, grooms, and drivers in their establishment.

**W. R. STEWART.**

**ONE** of the most popular head quarters for food supplies in the section of the city in which it is located is the "Home Market," Mr. W. R. Stewart, proprietor, located at 605 and 607 Queen street east. Mr. Stewart established the Home Market in 1890, and from the start has been doing a large and prosperous business. The Market is neatly fitted up, and the stock carried embraces staple and fancy groceries of every description; provisions, including fresh, salt and smoked meats of all kinds, farm produce, dairy products, lard, sausage, poultry, etc. Farm produce is a specialty with Mr. Stewart, and he always has the finest and best. He receives his supplies fresh daily, and fills orders at the lowest prices. Mr. Stewart was born in Canada, and has lived in Toronto four years. He is a thoroughly reliable business man and has always sustained a high reputation.

**JOHN T. WILSON.**

**ONE** of the oldest established and most noted manufacturers of tin, sheet iron, and copper work in this section of Toronto is Mr. John T. Wilson, whose store and workshops are situated at 166 Queen street west. Mr. Wilson, who is a thoroughly expert and practical metal worker, established this business as far back as

1870. His manufactures to order all kinds of sheet metal work. Having at all times an efficient staff of workmen, and being a practical mechanic himself, accounts in a manner for his success. Mr. Wilson occupies a spacious four-story building 100 x 30 feet in dimensions, and keeps constantly on hand a heavy and choice stock of hardware, general house furnishing goods, stoves, lamp goods, cutlery, etc., which are offered to customers at extremely low prices. Only first-class goods are handled, and Mr. Wilson is also sole manufacturer of the "Good Value" Cinder Sifter, which has obtained the highest awards wherever exhibited. This unrivaled cinder sifter is a household necessity, and a remarkably cheap article. Mr. Wilson was born in Canada, and has resided in Toronto for the last twenty-five years. He is highly esteemed and sustains an excellent social and business status in the community.

**STEELE BROS.**

**ALTHOUGH** a brief space of time has elapsed since the Steele Bros. commenced business, they have acquired a popularity and secured a patronage which entitles them to prominent mention. They inaugurated their enterprise in 1891, and occupy a handsomely fitted up store 20 x 60 feet in area at 97½ King street west. The store is stocked to repletion with a choice assortment of Havana cigars, also those of the leading domestic goods, together with a general line of American and Canadian chewing and smoking tobaccos, cigarettes, pipes, snuff and smokers' articles of every description. They import therown pipes from England and France, and cigars from Cuba. Prices are away down "to rock bottom." The goods are fully guaranteed as represented, and the trade comes from all parts of Ontario. Terms are strictly cash, and the Messrs. Steele can offer better inducement to buyers than any other in the city. They are reliable business men, and well deserve the success which has rewarded their ably directed efforts.

**MDE. DUBOIS & FILS.**

**ONE** of the most popular establishments in Toronto is that of Mde. Dubois & Fils, Parisian ostrich feather dyers and manufacturers. Mde. Dubois & Fils have been established in business in this city a period of thirteen years, and are the recipients of a large trade which comes from all parts of the Dominion. The premises comprise a four-story building, 20 x 100 feet in dimensions, at 97 King street west, and some ten expert hands are employed. Ostrich feathers are cleaned, dyed, and curled, and a special business is made of manufacturing ostrich feather trimming for cloaks and dresses, also

cleaning and dying kid gloves, renewing crapes and laces in real French styles by the latest and best French processes. Mde. Dubois & Fils keep a full stock of ostrich feathers in white black and all colors, also feather trimming, feather boas, etc., and have the finest and best assortment to be found in the city. Mde. Dubois & Fils are native Parisians.

**HENRY DAVIS.**

**THE** leading and largest establishment of its kind in the city is that of Mr. Henry Davis, direct importer of Berlin, Saxony, and other wools, and materials for fancy work. It is also the oldest house in its line and was founded as long ago as 1855 by the father of the present proprietor, whom he succeeded in 1884. Located at 232 Yonge street, two floors 25 x 110 feet in area are occupied, and a stock of from four thousand to five thousand pounds of fancy wool, zephyr, etc., is carried. The salesroom presents a very inviting appearance and here is displayed, besides fine fancy wools, a wide range of materials for newest fancy work, from France, Belgium, Switzerland, and other European countries. Mr. Davis was born in this city, and is well known in commercial circles. The trade is both wholesale and retail, and the assortment is one of the largest and best to be found in the city.

**THE STANDARD WHIP COMPANY.**

**ONE** of the leading sources of supply in the city of Toronto for all kinds of carriage, buggy and team whips and whip lashes, is that known as The Standard Whip Company, No. 35 and 37 Wellington street east, of which Mr. H. D. Baker is the enterprising and popular proprietor. He is a thoroughly practical and expert whip maker, who possesses an accurate knowledge of the requirements of jobbers and retailers. The premises occupied are commodious, 45 x 40 feet in area, and in the workshop are fifteen different kinds of machines for the manufacture of whips. A heavy and choice stock of whips and lashes is always on hand, and the sales for the past year were over \$10,000. Mr. Baker's whips and lashes are unsurpassed for strength, finish and uniform excellence, and have no superiors in America. He employs seven skilled workmen, and his trade extends throughout the entire Dominion. Orders are carefully filled at the lowest possible prices, and all goods are fully warranted. Mr. Baker was born in Cheltenham, England. He is an honorable and energetic business man, and established this business seventeen years ago.

### TORONTO SALT WORKS.

ONE of the most important acquisitions which have been made during the past decade to the industrial activity of Toronto is the concern known as the Toronto Salt Works, of which Mr. C. R. Cooper is the proprietor. This is the only establishment of the kind in the city, and was founded by Mr. Cooper in 1886, and its trade now extends to every Province of the Dominion of Canada. He occupies one entire four-story building located at number 128 Adelaide street east, 25 x 88 feet in dimensions, which has been arranged expressly for the business. The motor power is electric, ten skilled hands are employed, and one traveler is kept on the road. The output is over a car load a day, and includes all kinds of table, dairy and curing salt, also barrel, land and rock salt. Mr. Cooper obtains his raw material from lake regions, which he refines, the process employed assuring the most perfect results. His new process "Acme" salt, of which he is the sole manufacturer, will not cake, and has no equal in the market. Mr. Cooper is a widely known and prominent member of Toronto business circles and has been a resident of the city for the past 35 years. The telephone call of the office is 2437.

### W. J. KITCHENER & SON.

ONE of the most reliable firms of house and church painters and decorators is that of Messrs. Kitchener & Son, whose office, store and shop is at 420 Spadina Ave. The business has been established six years, and the firm has achieved a wide reputation, and their work is highly recommended. They are artists of conspicuous talent, and did all the work in the Westminster Presbyterian Church, the McCaul street Methodist Church, Wingham Presbyterian Church, and many others in this city and vicinity, and frescoed and decorated Mr. French's handsome private residence. They make a special business of interior decorating, paper hanging, frescoing, house and sign painting. In the store a full assortment of imported and Canadian wall papers are kept in stock, also interior decorations, room mouldings, handsome centre pieces, dados, friezes, stained and ornamental glass. As painters and decorators Mr. Kitchener & Son occupy a foremost position among the most accomplished in the city.

### PARKDALE FURNACE CO.

THE pages of this review of the business concerns of Toronto would be quite incomplete without reference to that large establishment known as the "Parkdale Furnace Company," whose office and show rooms are located at 1301 Queen street west, Parkdale, and factory at 1299 Queen street, of which Mr. J. W. Fenwick is manager.

This company are manufacturers of, and dealers in the Diamond Furnace, which has the reputation of being the best though not the cheapest in this market. It is more economical in the consumption of fuel than any other furnace manufactured, and has given the greatest satisfaction as a heating agent wherever used. The company is fully protected by patents bearing date of both 1886 and 1888. From five to seven skilled hands are constantly employed. They are also contractors for the furnishing and installation of electric bells, annunciators, speaking tubes, etc., also agents for the justly celebrated duplex and carbon batteries. They also carry in stock the Leclanche and dry batteries, a good assortment of push-buttons, electric bells, and a general assortment of electrical supplies. The business of the company was founded about five years ago, and has established a fine reputation for the quality of goods handled, and the execution of all work undertaken. Mr. Fenwick, the manager, is a native of Canada, an enterprising gentleman, and stands high in business circles.

### W. J. ROBINSON.

ONE of the most prominent establishments of its kind in this city is the West End Dye Works, Mr. W. J. Robinson, proprietor, located at 797 Queen street west. Mr. Robinson, who was born in England, is a practical dyer of many years experience, and has been established in business in this city a period of six years. He is well prepared for executing work in his line, and keeps in his employ ten skilled hands. He makes a specialty of cleaning and dyeing ladies' and gentlemen's clothing without taking apart, and also dyeing woollens, silks, etc., for the trade. All work is done under Mr. Robinson's supervision and warranted in every respect, while the prevailing prices are governed by moderation. Among the permanent patrons of this popular establishment are many of the leading citizens and best families of the city, by whom it is highly recommended. Mr. Robinson is a careful and painstaking business man, and very popular with his many patrons.

### R. B. ELGIE.

ONE of the best equipped establishments of its kind in this city is that of Mr. R. B. Elgie, box and case manufacturer and box wood printer, and dealer in lumber and machine made wood work. Mr. Elgie who was born in this city has always been an active business man and four years ago started in his present line of business on Spadina avenue, where he was subsequently burnt out, and in 1892 he secured and has since occupied the premises in which he is now located, numbers 19 to 23 Alice street. Here he utilizes four flats, each 45 x 80 feet in dimensions, fitted with special wood-working

machinery operated by a 64 horse-power steam engine, and the services of twelve workmen are brought into requisition. All kinds of boxes, crates, and packing cases are made to order. Mr. Elgie is provided with a box printing machine run by steam power for printing on wood, and orders in this line are executed neatly and expeditiously. A full stock of lumber is also carried by Mr. Elgie, and he is doing a large prosperous business.

### D. PYKE.

FOR a period of 12 years Mr. D. Pyke has given his attention to the manufacture of tents, flags, awnings, sails, water-proof clothing, etc., and in that time has built up a trade widely diffused throughout the Province of Ontario. He is located at 157 King street east, and occupies a three story building 27 x 60 feet in area. The first flat is the general salesroom and factory, the second is for storage of stock, and the third for manufacturing water-proof horse and waggon covers. Mr. Pyke makes a specialty of family camping and lawn tents, ornamental awnings for dwellings, also flags of all nations, vessel and yacht sails water-proof coats, hats and tarpaulins. He also deals in vessel sundries, and has tents of all kinds and sizes to rent. The trade is both wholesale and retail. Twelve skilled hands are employed in the different departments, and a brisk business is carried on. Mr. Pyke is a native of Canada and has resided in Toronto 18 years.

### GOODMAN & CO.

A POPULAR men's furnishing goods house in this city is that of Goodman & Co. at 302 1/2 Yonge street. This business was established in 1887, and under the able direction and management of Mr. C. E. Goodman, a large first class patronage has been secured. Two floors each 20 x 60 feet in area are occupied, and in the salesroom a fine display is made of everything in the line of men's furnishings, comprising elegant neck wear in all the fashionable styles, white and colored shirts, underwear in silk, wool, etc., hosiery, gloves, etc. English collars and cuffs being a specialty. Fine shirts are made to order, and satisfaction guaranteed as to fit, quality of material and workmanship. The house is one of the leaders of fashion in men's furnishings and always the first to introduce the latest London styles. Mr. Goodman was born in Canada and has resided in Toronto since 1888.

### WM. WYTHE.

IN the construction of special machinery, novelties and fine tools, no maker in those lines in Toronto excels Mr. W. Wythe, the widely known machinist, pattern



maker, and die sinker, whose office and workshop are located corner Britain and George streets. This useful industry was established in 1883, on Adelaide street west, but in 1890 it was removed to its present quarters. Mr. Wythe is one of the most expert mechanical engineers and designers in Canada, and his patronage extends not only throughout the entire Dominion, but also to Great Britain. He occupies two spacious floors each being 36 x 72 feet in area, or about 6000 square feet of space, and 22 first class mechanics are employed, who turn out all kinds of novelties in machinery, also fine tools, cutting and stamping dies, and press work of every description. Mr. Wythe also attends carefully to polishing and buffing, and makes a specialty of nickel, bronze and copper plating, and the constructing of patterns and models in brass and iron. Mr. Wythe is a native of Hamilton, Ont., but has resided in Toronto for the last 23 years.

#### T. A. CROW.

ONE of the best carriage and wagon builders in this City is Mr. T. A. Crow, who has been established a period of twelve years, and is located at number 619 Yonge street. The premises are 25 x 100 feet in dimensions, and Mr. Crow employs only practical workmen who are under his immediate supervision, and builds to order all kinds of carriages, and light and heavy wagons of the best materials and in the strongest manner. Every vehicle is fully warranted, and repairing also receives prompt attention. A special branch of the business is horse-shoeing, and here horses are shod on the latest veterinary principles, shoes re-set, defective shoeing remedied and particular care given to interfering, quarter crack corns, etc. Mr. Crow is popularly known as a leading carriage and wagon builder and horse shoer, and many of the fine carriages and wagons to be seen on the streets of Toronto came out of this workshop. Mr. Crow has resided in Toronto some years.

#### HENRY T. BROWN.

THE prosperous business now being conducted by Mr. Henry T. Brown, proprietor of the meat market, No. 2 St. Lawrence Market, was originally established in 1863 by Robison & Brown. In 1878, Mr. H. Brown succeeded to the business, and in 1883 he was followed by his son, the present proprietor. The business is both wholesale and retail, and is drawn from the best families, leading hotels, restaurants and dealers. Mr. Brown obtains his stock from the best producing sections, and always has the choicest and finest meats to be found in the market, and all kinds of fresh and salt meats are made a specialty. On an average from 30 to 40 head of large and small cattle are butchered and dressed every

week, and ample refrigeration and cold storage is provided. He was born and raised in Toronto, and has had an experience extending over a period of 20 years as a butcher. Six hands are employed and three delivery carts in constant service, and orders are filled and delivered promptly.

#### P. HIGGINS & CO.

ONE of the best known foot-wear emporiums in Toronto is that of Messrs. P. Higgins & Co., at 144 Yonge street. It is also one of the oldest and was established by the firm in 1863. The premises occupy the first and second floors of the building, and a heavy stock of goods is carried. The firm do a large retail and jobbing business, and deal in the finest boots, shoes and slippers, and make a specialty of the best quality American made boots and shoes, and gentlemen's hand sewed goods, and also keep a full assortment of rubbers, trunks and valises. The goods carried in stock are the best productions of the most distinguished manufacturers, are of fashionable style, perfect workmanship and the finest materials. They are always the first to introduce the new styles, and can offer better inducements to buyers than any others in the trade. Mr. P. Higgins was born in Ireland and brought to Canada by his parents when six months old. He has for many years been a resident of Toronto, and is well and favorably known in business circles.

#### ALBERT WELCH.

ONE of the most reliable manufacturing tinmiths, plumbers and gas fitters in this section of Toronto is Mr. Albert Welch, whose store and workshop are situated at 304 Queen street west. This industry was established 16 years ago by Messrs. Hubbard Brothers, who conducted it till 1890, when Mr. A. Welch became the sole proprietor. He occupies a spacious floor 100 x 22 feet in area, and here he keeps a large stock of gas, oil and coal cooking and heating stoves and ranges, tinware of all kinds, gas fittings, baths, water closets, sinks, iron and lead pipe, etc. This store is headquarters for Gurney's gas and coal cooking stoves and ranges, the Kitchen Witch and Duchess of Oxford of this firm being unrivalled. Mr. Welch carries the best selection of new and second-hand stoves in Toronto, and attends carefully to stove repairing, plumbing, gas fitting and jobbing. He employs 12 skilled workmen, and transacts a business of over \$12,000 yearly. Mr. Welch enters into contracts and undertakes the entire plumbing of the largest buildings, giving the greatest satisfaction. He is a Canadian by birth and highly respected. Telephone call 1703.

#### THE CANADIAN MINERAL WOOL CO.

THIS valuable industry, located at 122 Bay street, was established 1889, and in Feb. 1892 it was formed into a stock company with ample capital. Mr. Garrett Brown being the president, Mr. L. E. Hambly, vice-president; and Mr. J. M. Sinclair, secretary and treasurer. The Canadian Mineral Wool Company manufactures fire and frost proof mineral wool, steam



pipe and boiler coverings. It also deals at wholesale in asbestos sheathing and cement, and makes a specialty of house insulation. At present the company imports its mineral wool from the United States, but it intends immediately to secure its supplies from Canada. The company's goods are unequalled for quality and reliability, and have no superiors in the United States or the Dominion. Orders are filled with care and dispatch at the lowest possible figures, and the trade of the company now extends throughout all sections of Canada.



**GEO. CARLETON.**

**T**HIS gentleman founded this business in 1889 and from the start his success was both marked and well deserved. He occupies very spacious premises at 772 and 774 Queen street east, well adapted for the purposes of his business, and which afford him every facility for its convenient prosecution on a broad and substantial basis. Ample cold storage is at hand and the establishment is, in every respect, one of the best equipped in the city. The stock handled is heavy and comprehensive and its composition varies according to the seasons. The house is headquarters for the finest brands of Canadian and American oysters, both in the shell and in bulk, imported and native fruits, salt and smoked fish, fancy groceries, table delicacies, canned goods, potted meats, game, poultry, vegetables, etc. Ice cream, soda water, etc., are made in vast quantities on the premises and a specialty is made of supplying parties, suppers, pic-nics, etc. with quantities to suit and at lowest prices. The trade is large and the patronage first-class and permanent. Mr. Carleton was born in the United States, and since taking up his residence in Toronto has made hosts of friends by his liberal and honorable methods.

**THE CLAUSSE SHEAR CO.**

**T**HIS business was established in Tremont, O., U.S.A., in 1878 and has had a most wonderful and prosperous growth. Since establishing its Canadian branch, which is located at 67 Adelaide street, the company has built up a very extensive trade covering every portion of the Dominion. For finish and superior cutting qualities the goods manufactured by this company have no equals in the market. For detailed description and prices of goods we would advise dealers to send for illustrated catalogue to Vernon F. Tobias, manager of the Toronto office. Mr. Tobias, who is a native of Ohio, U.S.A., has been in the employ of the company for five years and is a young and energetic business man, who is thoroughly well posted in the manufacture of these goods and is rapidly extending the trade of the company throughout the Dominion.

**ALEXANDER & SON.**

**T**HIS business was established in 1873 by H. S. Alexander & Son, but since the 1st January, 1893, has been continued under the present name and style. The premises occupied at 76 Jarvis street are perfectly arranged and equipped for all practical purposes of the business and a large stock of wall papers, centre pieces,

friezes, mouldings and everything in the line of material for interior decoration is carried. The goods have been carefully selected and embrace the newest and most popular styles. Twenty skilled hands are regularly employed in the house, sign, paper hanging and decorative branches, and estimates are furnished and contracts taken for work of any magnitude and satisfaction guaranteed in all cases. The rare skill and good taste of J. Alexander are proverbial in the trade and the extensive patronage represents the most desirable city and suburban custom. Mr. Alexander is a native of Toronto, practical to this business in all branches and has achieved a wide reputation.

**JAS. BROCKLEBANK.**

**T**HIS business has been established in the present location, corner Dundas and Keele streets a period of three years and in that time secured a large and flourishing trade. The store is 35 x 125 feet and admirably arranged and well adapted in every way for all practical purposes of the business. An extensive stock is carried comprising everything in the line of hardware for builders, also shelf goods, locksmiths' supplies, fine cutlery, Art Garland stoves and ranges, which are a specialty, also a full line of tinware, lamps and lamp goods which are a specialty. A full stock of paints is kept; also oils, varnishes, glass, putty, etc. Mr. Brocklebank has always sustained a high reputation as a merchant and carefully looks after the wants of his customers. He is moderate in his prices and fully guarantees all goods sold to be strictly as represented.

**J. A. HARRISON.**

**T**HIS business was established in 1890 by Ormiston & Harrison and recently came under his sole control. His office and yard are located at the corner Queen and Fuller streets, and every facility and convenience is provided for meeting the demands of patrons. The stock of coal and wood carried is exceptionally large and is all under cover from rain and snow. The coal dealt in comes from Scranton, Pa., and is of a superior quality; soft coal is also dealt in, and maple, beech and pine wood and slabs which are sawed and split on the premises by a machine operated by a 7 H.P. steam engine. Competent workmen are employed and three delivery teams always in service. Mr. Harrison fills orders at short notice and fully guarantees full weight and measure and the best satisfaction. Mr. Harrison is a native of Canada. He is a business man of energy and enterprise and has resided in Toronto for some years. His Telephone call is 3358.

**WM. DUNN.**

**T**HE Avenue meat market is one of the most popular establishments of its kind in Toronto. It is located at 848 Yonge street, has dimensions of 20 x 60 feet, and is ably presided over by Mr. Wm. Dunn, who has throughout his business career, embracing a period of eight years, always been popular as a family butcher and enjoyed the esteem of all his many patrons. The market is equipped with ample refrigerators and every convenience is at hand for attending to the requirements of customers. The stock is always fresh and comprises choice meats of all kinds, also sausage, corned beef, salt and smoked meats, lard and poultry, game and vegetables when in season. Mr. Dunn selects his cattle with care, which are slaughtered and dressed under his immediate supervision, and he always has the finest and best to be obtained in the city. Orders are called for daily, filled correctly and delivered promptly. Reasonable prices is the rule in this establishment. He is a progressive business man, active, enterprising and energetic. His patronage comes from all classes of the community and is steadily growing each succeeding year.

**E. A. HARRINGTON.**

**A**MONG the professional men in Toronto, it is safe to say that none enjoy public confidence in a greater degree than E. A. Harrington, D.D.S., of 95 King street east. Dr. Harrington, although a young man, has had a valuable experience in his profession, is a graduate of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, and honor graduate in the faculty of dentistry of Trinity University, where he received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, with first-class honors. He has been particularly successful in difficult dental operations requiring skill and professional knowledge, and is kind, courteous and careful to a degree that makes dreaded dental work practically painless. Dr. Harrington's office, though only temporarily at 95 King street east, is fitted with the latest and best dental chair and appliances that can be procured. Crown and bridge work, gold work of every kind, teeth without plates, plate work in gold, aluminium, vulcanite and celluloid; also appliances for cleft palate are among Mr. Harrington's specialties. Also after others have failed to give satisfaction in a plate, Dr. Harrington will take the case in hand and make absolutely no charge unless fit and appearance are satisfactory. He enjoys a large city and out-of-town patronage, those coming from a distance making appointments ahead by mail.

## THE TORONTO PRESSED BRICK AND TERRA COTTA CO.

IN the manufacture of Pressed Brick of all kinds, the most noted concern in this section is that known as The Toronto Pressed Brick and Terra Cotta Company, whose office is situated at No. 12 Arcade. This reliable Company was organized in 1888 with large capital, and its trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Mr. C. B. Murray, the secretary and manager, who was born in Canada, brings great experience coupled with an intimate knowledge of the requirements of the most critical builders, architects and property owners. The works, which have an area of 100 acres, are located at Milton. Here the dry press machinery is utilized, which prevents any possibility of the cracking of the bricks when being burnt in the kiln. Sixty skilled workmen are employed at the works, and the machinery is operated by a superior 105 horse-power steam engine. They manufacture buff, drab, red, and vitrified brick, also, Terra Cotta roof and floor tiles, and these bricks and tiles have no superiors in Canada, the United States or Europe. The works last year produced 4,000,000 brick, and large quantities of Terra Cotta tile. The Company's bricks have been used extensively in the Confederation Life building, the Palmer Road Baptist church, Mr. Kemp's residence, Board of Trade buildings, Wickliffe College, etc., also in buildings in Montreal, London, St. Thomas, Hamilton, Vancouver, and Charlotte, Prince Edwards Island. Mr. E. W. Wyatt, the manager, is a practical man, a native of England, now a resident of Toronto thirty-five years, and was one of the organizers of the business. The telephone call of the office is 60.

### W. H. COX.

A REVIEW of Toronto's mercantile houses would be manifestly incomplete without more than passing notice of that of Mr. W. H. Cox, dealer in new and second-hand furniture, stoves, crockery, carpets, etc., at No. 172 Queen street east. This substantial establishment was founded by Mr. Cox in 1872, and during the twenty-one years that have since intervened its history has been a record of continued progress, building up a large, permanent trade. The store is 20 x 75 feet in dimensions, neatly fitted up with every modern convenience, and the stock embraces everything in the house-furnishing line, stoves and ranges, parlor, dining-room, and chamber sets, hall, library and kitchen furniture, easy and rocking chairs, folding beds, ice-chests, lounges, sofas, and couches, carpets, crockery, earthenware, glassware, and kitchen utensils, etc., etc. New and second-hand furniture is bought, sold and exchanged, and a specialty is made of

attending auction sales and securing any desired article for a customer. Mr. Cox also attends to expressage and cartage, moving furniture, etc., and employs careful and painstaking men. Mr. Cox is a native of England, and has for many years been a popular and highly respected member of Toronto business circles. He is a member of the Sons of England and United Workmen.

### J. & G. GRAY.

IT is of the utmost necessity that the plumbing and sanitation of buildings and residences be effected with competent engineering skill and careful attention to details. One of the most reliable firms of plumbers, gas and steamfitters in this city is that of Messrs. Gray Bros., whose office, showroom and workshop is at 176 Queen street east. Gray Bros., the co-partners are both practical men of experience in all branches of this business, and have been associated for a period of about nine years, and in that time carried through to successful completion many important contracts and orders. A full stock of plumbers' and fitters', and steam and hot water heating apparatus, also baths, closets, urinals, basins, sinks, chandeliers, brackets, etc., is carried, and a force of skilled workmen kept constantly employed. The premises occupied are 20 x 80 feet in dimensions, and equipped with every facility and convenience for all purposes of the business. Sanitary plumbing, arranging drainage and ventilation, receiving the attention of the firm, also piping buildings and dwelling for the introduction of water, gas and steam and hot water for heating purposes. The firm execute work according to modern ideas on scientific principles, and also attend to repairing and jobbing, and are ready to execute all orders and furnish estimates when required. Messrs. Gray Bros. are both natives of Canada, and are active business men of high standing in this community. They give their personal attention to all work entrusted to them, and can always guarantee the best satisfaction.

### C. W. COLEMAN.

AMONG those in Toronto who devote their attention to fine watch and chronometer repairing is Mr. C. W. Coleman, who has been established in the business since 1863 and occupies a flat in the building, No. 10 King street west. Mr. Coleman makes a specialty of doing work for the trade and individuals and keeps in his employ six skilled hands. Watches, clocks, also jewelry and music boxes are repaired in the best manner, and all work fully warranted. He also cares for and keeps clocks at private residences in repair by the year, and also deals in foreign watches, watch materials, tools, etc., and, besides a large local business, supplies a

trade widely diffused throughout the Dominion. Mr. Coleman was born in the Isle of Wight, but came to Toronto in 1849, and spent about 12 years in perfecting his trade in the cities of the United States. Mr. Coleman is agent for English chiming, hall and mantel clocks, and can supply the trade at manufacturers' prices. He has for many years repaired the chronometers and other instruments at the Observatory, and also for the Marine Department of the Dominion Government.

### CHARLES FIELD.

IN the manufacture of Suction Fans and Pressure Blowers in the city of Toronto, a prominent house is that of Mr. Charles Field, located at 124 Queen street east. Mr. Field, who is a practical and able machinist, established this business in 1870, and his patronage extends throughout the principal cities of Ontario. The workshops are fully equipped with special tools and machinery operated by steam power, and a number of first-class workmen are employed. Mr. Field is sole manufacturer of The Canadian Steel Pressure Blowers, Suction Fans, and Blast Fans, also Field's Ventilators, which have no superiors in this country. His exhaust fans are in use all over the country for their good work in ventilating restaurants, foundries, machine shops, paper mills, etc. Only the best steel and iron are utilized in the manufacture of these fans and blowers, which are offered to customers at very moderate prices. Mr. Field was born in England. He is widely known for his mechanical skill and integrity, and justly merits the liberal patronage accorded in this useful industry.

### W. J. BREWER.

THE popular and well known hatter and furrier, Mr. W. J. Brewer, although only established in business since 1892, has secured a large first class substantial patronage, which is steadily growing each succeeding year. He has had a valuable experience in this special business, and brings to bear upon it a full and comprehensive knowledge of its every detail. Mr. Brewer has had a long and valuable experience in the leading stores in Detroit, Michigan, and thoroughly understands the American trade. He occupies a handsome attractive store 20 x 65 feet in dimensions, and in its complete appointment, embraces every modern adjunct of utility and convenience. The assortment of goods displayed comprises fine English silk and felt hats, also wool and cloth hats, caps of all kinds, and a complete assortment of furs for ladies' and gentlemen's wear, robes, etc. Mr. Brewer imports silk and felt hats direct from the leading London manufacturers and is always one among the first to introduce the new styles as soon as brought out.

### FORD'S ART GALLERY.

THE inhabitants of Toronto have long enjoyed a widespread reputation as liberal patrons of Art, and there are few lines of art which do not receive here a signal development. One of the most attractive establishments on Queen street west is Ford's Art Gallery, situated at No. 290 on that thoroughfare. It is an old established business, having been founded by Mr. Ford some twenty years ago, and has ever since been the favorite resort of students of portraiture and connoisseurs. Mr. Ford is a gentleman of splendid abilities, and most excellent good taste and judgment as an artist, and makes a special business of copying, enlarging, and reducing to miniature size photographs, portraits, etc., which are finished in crayon, pastel, India ink, water-colors or oil, as may be desired, in the very highest style of the art, at reasonable prices. He is specially noted for the excellence of his crayon portraits, finished from sunlight-prints, and which are guaranteed not to fade or change color, also for his water-color portraits which are finished on special paper with permanent colors. In the salesroom a fine display is made of engravings, etchings, photographs, artotypes, picture frames, mouldings, brackets and fine art goods. Pictures are framed in a neat, handsome, and attractive style, and the trade, being both wholesale and retail, covers a wide territory. The business was established in Belleville in 1873 and after 10 years of rapid growth was moved to Toronto, where Mr. Ford has gained a splendid reputation as a business man and an artist. The Telephone call is 1362.

### THE ROYAL ELECTRIC COMPANY.

THIS company was incorporated in 1883 and has built up a business which covers every town and city of any importance in Canada, and extends to Newfoundland, Trinidad, the Bermudas, Hayti and Cuba. Branch offices and factories have been established in all these countries, as well as numerous lighting stations, the principal ones in the Dominion being located in Halifax, N.S.; Toronto, Ont.; Winnipeg, Man., and Vancouver, B.C. The company have the exclusive control in Canada of the Thomson-Houston and Thomson systems, which are universally endorsed as being the most perfect, efficient and best adapted for all purposes. In Montreal they have in operation for municipal purposes, 375,000 incandescent and 2,500 arc lamps. They also supply the power used by the Montreal Street Railway Company. The company has supplied dynamos in isolated incandescent plants, producing over 15,000 lights in the leading factories, works, stores and other buildings throughout Canada, as well as some 1,500 isolated arc

lights. In their central stations, both arc and incandescent, they provide light for cities, towns and hamlets, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The company are also heavy manufacturers of everything conceivable in the line of electrical machinery, appliances and supplies. The Toronto offices and warehouses of this reliable corporation are located at No. 38 York street, and are under the able and efficient management of Mr. J. A. Cameron. This gentleman is a native of Niagara Falls, N. Y., and has been connected with the company since 1890, at first being connected with the North-West department, and moving to Toronto in 1891.

### MEDLAND & JONES.

THE largest and leading insurance companies place their interests in the control of gentlemen who have secured honorable reputations as insurance agents, and among the latter in this city are Messrs. Medland & Jones, whose office is eligibly located in the Mail building. These gentlemen have been prominently identified with the insurance business of this city as agents ever since 1880, and they occupy a first-class position among our home institutions and enjoy the entire confidence of the business public. They now represent the following solid and substantial corporations, viz.: The Scottish Union and National Insurance Company of Edinburgh, Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society of England, Accident Insurance Company of North America, and Guarantee Company of North America. Mr. Medland was born in England, and is a member of the Freemasons and Royal Arcanum. Mr. Jones was born in Canada, and is also a Freemason and a member of Royal Arcanum.

### THE TORONTO GRANITE CO.

THIS company was duly incorporated in 1890 with a paid up capital of \$45,000, and is located at 484 Yonge street, and has branches at Oshawa, Flesherton and Thornbury, Ontario, and carries always in stock \$29,000 worth of monuments, statuary, etc. The works are fully equipped and the company turns out in the highest style of art—plain and sculptured obelisks, tombs, tablets, sarcophagi, memorials, headstones, etc., and imports statuary from Canara, Italy. A specialty is made of monuments and ornamental work, while their prices in all cases are extremely moderate. Fourteen first-class workmen are employed and the trade of the company now extends throughout the Dominion. Mr. A. W. Anderson, the manager, is widely known for his artistic skill, energy and integrity, and under his guidance the future prospects of the Toronto Granite Company are of the most satisfactory and favorable character.

### JOHN HINCH & CO.

A LEADING popular exponent of the difficult art of the merchant tailor is found in the person of Mr. John Hinch, who, under the firm name of John Hinch & Co., carries on an extensive business at No. 354 Spadina avenue. Born in England, Mr. Hinch acquired a perfect knowledge of his art in that country, and was for several years engaged in its prosecution in both London and Lincoln. He came to Toronto in 1892, and at once founded his present house, which has ever since been widely recognized as the leading one in its line in the city. Mr. Hinch justly lays claim to being the only real English tailor in Toronto, and his ability has from the start been highly appreciated by many of our most prominent and refined citizens. Among Mr. Hinch's regular customers may be mentioned Mr. Hume Blake, Professors Baldwin and Stuart, of Toronto University; Mr. Alex. Munroe Grier, and many other gentlemen who are recognized as perfect judges of tasteful and fashionable attire. M. Hinch carries a large stock of English, Irish and Scotch tweeds, woollens, and other goods, which he imports direct from the best sources and from which the most fastidious and critical cannot but make satisfactory selection.

### A. G. GIBSON & CO.

ONE of our youngest business houses and one deserving of special mention is that of Messrs. A. G. Gibson & Co., wholesale fruit and commission merchants, located at 31 Church street, corner Colborne. This business was established in 1890 under the style of Aikenhead, Gibson & Co., at 46 Church street, who were succeeded in January, 1892, by Messrs. A. G. Gibson and C. W. I. Woodland, the business having a few months previously been removed to the present location. In October, 1893, Mr. Woodland withdrew from the firm and A. G. Gibson & Co. succeeded. The premises occupy one flat and the basement of a four-story brick building, 40x100 feet in dimensions. The basement is occupied by the storage and banana rooms, capable of holding from eight hundred to a thousand bunches of bananas. The firm handle immense quantities of all kinds of foreign and domestic fruits, importing lemons direct from Italy, and dates, figs, grapes and Mediterranean oranges from London and Liverpool; also handle oysters and boxed fish in season. Their trade now extends to all parts of the Dominion and the United States, which necessitates the employment of twelve clerks, two travelling salesmen and three delivery wagons. A. G. Gibson was born in Toronto and has the reputation of being one of Toronto's youngest, most enterprising and successful business men.

**C. D. DANIEL & CO.**

**T**HIS business was founded originally by Mr. Davis in 1866, who conducted it with uniform success until 1883, when he was succeeded by Mr. Daniel, who had been in his employment for several years. Mr. Daniel, who is a native of this city, at an early age applied himself to the study and acquirement of a thorough knowledge of his profession and graduated with signal honors from the Ontario College of Pharmacy. Under his enterprising management the trade of the house has been greatly increased, and it is one of the most popular drug stores in the city. The store at 171 King street east is of ample proportions, compactly arranged and handsomely furnished, and is fully equipped with every facility known to the business. Recognizing the responsibility attached to the compounding of physicians' prescriptions and family recipes, a special department is devoted to this branch of the business, in which they are dispensed promptly at all hours of the day and night, and none but the most reliable assistants are employed. Order and system prevail. The stock is large, fresh and complete, and prices are invariably just and reasonable. Mr. Daniel is a member of the Ontario Pharmaceutical Association, and a member of the Council of the Toronto College of Pharmacy.

**ALLAN & CO.**

**O**NE of the leading and most reliable concerns in its line in Toronto is that of Messrs Allan & Co., Wholesale Dealers in Druggists' Sundries, etc., whose offices and salesrooms are situated at Front St. East. This prosperous business was established in 1878 by Prof. E. B. Shuttleworth, who conducted it until 1890, when Messrs Allan & Co. succeeded him in the control. The premises occupied comprise a three-story brick building 30x100 feet in area, with every facility and convenience for the conduct of this important industry. Messrs Allan & Co. keep constantly on hand a heavy and well selected stock of all kinds of druggists' sundries, and also manufacture Carson's Famous Bitters, Pectoria, Silver Cream and other Proprietary medicines, which are general favorites with retailers owing to their great salability and intrinsic merits. They are, likewise, agents for E. B. Shuttleworth's Fluid Extracts, Elixirs, etc., and make a specialty of dealing in trusses and rubber goods. Orders are carefully filled at lowest figures, and the trade of the firm now extends from Nova Scotia to British Columbia. Mr. Allan is an energetic, liberal and honorable business man, who is extremely popular and respected in trade circles. The Telephone call of the office is 1682, and all goods are fully warranted to be exactly as represented.

**JOHN D. COULTER.**

**T**HERE is no more popular merchant tailor in Toronto than Mr. John D. Coulter, who occupies a handsome store, 25 x 75 feet in area, at 247 Yonge street. Mr. Coulter has been established in business a period of seven years and is recognized as a leader. He devotes his whole time to designing and making fine custom work to order, and that his talents in this direction are appreciated is shown by the splendid first-class custom he has secured. He is a gentleman of good taste and most excellent judgment, and brings to bear upon his business a full knowledge of its every detail. He is careful and painstaking and is always successful in pleasing all favoring him with patronage, not only in quality of material, fit and workmanship, but in prices. Mr. Coulter carries a full stock of goods, embracing everything in the line of men's wear, including the choicest worsteds and woollens in all the new styles, also broadcloths, vestings, etc., and the making and trimming of gentlemen's wearing apparel with Mr. Coulter is a matter of careful consideration and study. He is a native of Canada and enjoys a high standing in this community.

**H. G. HELLMANN.**

**A**MONG those recently established in business in this city is Mr. H. G. Hellmann, the watch specialist, who occupies room 18, which is 40x25 feet in area, in the Yonge street arcade. Mr. Hellmann is a native of Germany and has resided in this city for some time. He embarked in business about six months ago and has since acquired a wide reputation as a skilled, practical workman and is rapidly building up a first-class trade. Mr. Hellmann gives his personal attention to fine watch and chronometer repairing also to regulating and adjusting watches of all kinds for the trade and individuals, and is careful and correct, executing all work entrusted to him with skill in the best manner at fair, reasonable prices. Mr. Hellmann also deals in European and American watches, and has the finest in gold and silver cases, which he is offering at very moderate prices.

**FEGAN & McDIARMID.**

**O**NE of the most popular boot and shoe houses in Toronto is the Big 88 Boot and Shoe Store, Fegan & McDiarmid proprietors, located at No. 88 Queen street west, where they occupy a large store, 50 x 40 feet in dimensions, and employ several salesmen and their customers are always sure of prompt, polite, and courteous attention and treatment, while their wants are supplied from the full line of footwear which Messrs. Fegan &

McDiarmid always keep in stock. This popular house was established in 1887, and the present firm assumed control in 1893. They carry as fine a stock of boots and shoes of the best makes as is to be found in the city of Toronto, and make a specialty of fine American goods. Messrs. Fegan and McDiarmid are not followers but leaders, in their line, of the many establishments of like



character. They have occupied the front rank in their line through having constantly handled a quality of goods that were inviting and of superior excellence. The proprietors are wide-awake men, who thoroughly understand their business. Their trade has rapidly grown to its present prosperous proportions, and they have secured the patronage of a large portion of the best people in their section of the city. The motto of this house is "excellence of goods handled, and fair dealings." They mean to be in advance in their line.

**S. C. HOWEY.**

ONE of the most popular places of its kind in Toronto is the Western Dairy and Restaurant, 501 to 505 Queen street west. This flourishing business was established in 1890 by Orser & Howey, and recently came under the sole control of the latter gentleman, who has since conducted it with marked ability and success. The premises occupied are 30 x 75 feet in area, neatly and tastefully appointed and well ordered. The very finest and best of everything is furnished daily when in season, and the trade is of the most substantial character. Mr. Howey is a first-class caterer and knows how to please people of cultivation and fastidious tastes. Meals, luncheons, etc., are furnished regularly at moderate prices, and the patronage now already large is steadily increasing. Ice cream is served daily, also pure cream and milk, which is received direct from the farmers. Mr. Howey is a young man and was born in Canada. He is active and enterprising, and has won success by deserving it.

**WM. BERRY.**

WE desire to draw attention to the useful service rendered in this city by Mr. Wm. Berry, odorless excavator and contractor. Mr. Berry is the pioneer in this business, and has been engaged in it for a period of forty-five years. He is admirably equipped with horses, carts, tanks, pumps, etc., employs a full force of steady, reliable workmen, and carries out orders and contracts with promptness and dispatch, doing the work effectually in all cases at fair and reasonable charges. Surveys are made of cesspools and closets, and estimates are promptly furnished. Mr. Berry's office is No. 16 Lombard street, and residence 223 Euclid avenue, where orders may be left. Mr. Berry was born in England and came to Toronto when the now flourishing city was the town of York. He is a social, genial gentleman, and tells many interesting stories of those early days. He has in his possession an engraving of the town made in 1834.

**JAMES FINDLAY.**

AN important industrial establishment in this city is that of Mr. James Findlay, steam engine builder and machinist. The business was established in 1871 by Smilley & Findlay, and two years after the latter purchased his partner's interest and has since continued alone and secured a large

patronage. The premises occupied, No. 90 Esplanade street, are arranged with an especial adaptability for the purposes of the business, and equipped with the latest improved machinery, operated by electric motor power, and a force of skilled workmen is kept constantly employed. Mr. Findlay builds stationery, portable and marine engines to order, manufactures shafting, hangers, and pulleys, also special and experimental machinery working models, assists inventors in perfecting their inventions, and pays particular attention to repairing and jobbing. Mr. Findlay is a native of Canada, and has resided in Toronto and vicinity for a period of fifty-six years. He is popularly known, and has the reputation of being one of the best practical machinists in the city.

**PARK BROS.**

THE progress that has been made within recent years in the art of photography is nothing less than marvellous, and in no photograph establishment in this city is this more strictly demonstrated than in the studio of Park Bros., artist photographers, at 328 Yonge street. Established in 1887, this eminently successful firm has from the first enjoyed a patronage, large, substantial and discriminating. All kinds of photographic work is executed by the Messrs. Park, also copying and enlarging crayon, pastelle, water color, oil and India ink work. They are particularly successful in fine portraiture and groups and life-sized portraits, and with families and children, and their efforts in this direction are highly commended; and their splendid artistic work is unsurpassed in elegance of finish, brilliancy and permanency. The reception parlors and studio are handsomely fitted up, and all the latest and best apparatus requisite for executing high art photography is in use. The Messrs. Park are natives of Markham, and have resided in Toronto twenty years. They are lovers of their art, and have attained to the rank of leaders in their profession.

**ROBERT HOME.**

THE establishment of Mr. Robert Home, merchant tailor, of 415 Yonge street, in the Y. M. C. A. Building, is well worthy of special notice. The business was established by Mr. Home in 1887, and being an expert cutter and fitter himself, and thoroughly practical in every detail of the business, he has rapidly built up an extensive and influential patronage. The premises have a frontage of twenty

feet by a depth of fifty, nicely fitted up and heavily stocked with a superior assortment of goods, and upwards of fourteen hands are regularly employed. Mr. Home keeps in stock a full line of English woollens and cloths, and foreign and domestic tweeds, comprising all the new and seasonable patterns. Fit and workmanship are guaranteed, and only the best materials are used. Only first-class operators are engaged, and every garment that leaves this establishment is as near perfection in fit, style, and finish as the tailors' art can make it. Mr. Home is a Scotchman by birth, and a young man of exceptional business ability, enterprising and thoroughly up to the times. His patronage is derived from our leading and most influential citizens, and his reputation is second to none in this city for first-class work, while he enjoys the respect and esteem of a wide circle of friends and patrons.

**ALB. HECK'S HOTEL.**

A POPULAR house for travellers and others in this section of Toronto is Alb. Heck's Hotel, centrally located at 60 York street. This Hotel was opened in 1884 by Mr. Heck, who has since secured a liberal patronage. It is a substantial three-story building, 32 x 125 feet in dimensions, fitted up with every convenience, and is a model of neatness and cleanliness. Alb. Heck's Hotel does a good, reliable trade, and is very popular with a certain class of the travelling public, who are shown every attention by the proprietor and his employees. The rates are only \$1 per day, which are very moderate for the accommodations furnished. The bar is supplied with choice wines, liquors, ales, cigars, and the best lager is always on hand. Mr. Heck was born in Baden, Germany, but has resided in Toronto many years. He is widely known for his strict integrity, and being a good judge of human nature is therefore a good hotel man.

**THE ANGLO-AMERICAN NOVELTY CO.**

LATE years have witnessed vast improvements in the methods of producing show-cards, labels, etc., both with regard to the rapidity with which orders are filled, and the increased beauty of style and designs. A representative, and one of the most noted houses in Canada, actively engaged in this important industry, is the Anglo-American Novelty Company, printers and publishers, and importers of European and American Art specialties, at No. 42 Lombard street. This business was founded in 1884,



by Mr. Joseph Oldfield, who brings great experience to bear, coupled with an accurate knowledge of every detail and feature of fine color-printing, and the requirements of the most critical customers. His premises are of ample dimensions, and the various departments are admirably equipped with the latest improved machinery, including Gordon presses, paper cutters, etc. The company handle all kinds of cards, labels and other advertising specialties, and are sole manufacturers of the Perfection Counter Check, the best and most convenient in the market, and business men using check books will find this a superior book in every way, and the patronage of the check book using public is solicited. A large trade is done with all the leading commercial and financial institutions. Mr. Oldfield is of English birth, and for several years has resided in Toronto, where he is widely and favorably known as an enterprising and honorable business man.

#### JOHNSTON CAREY.

THE present is an age of refinement, wealth, enterprise and good taste, and all classes are more exacting than ever before in the care and adornment of their persons. This scrupulousness with regard to personal adornment, pertains to the feet as well as to any other portion of the human form divine. Footwear in these latter years is not only a necessity, but a matter of style, and therefore, dealers in this line of goods must be wide awake to the demands of fashion as well as necessity. Such a boot and shoe dealer is Mr. Johnston Carey, whose store is located at No. 262 Queen street west, where one year ago he established himself in this line of trade. He occupies premises 20 x 80 feet at the above number, and carries a large and valuable stock of boots and shoes of very superior quality and of the best styles. His excellent stock includes fancy ball and patent leather shoes in immense quantities, and the fashionable as well as the plain people cannot fail to be suited in stylish and a perfectly fitting shoe or boot here. Mr. Carey also handles and keeps in stock a fine assortment of trunks, valises, satchels, etc., and all those useful and necessary articles which naturally go with his line of trade. Though Mr. Carey is quite a young man yet, he has been in business since 1872, and has always paid a hundred cents on the dollar. He possesses in a large degree that energy, industry, push and business tact which has already brought to his

establishment a remunerative trade. His prices are as low as any other reputable house, quality of goods always considered. We commend him to the public.

#### CALDWELL & HODGINS.

THIS business was established in the year 1873 by Messrs. Caldwell & Hodgins, but is now conducted by Mr. Harvey B. Hodgins, under the old firm name, who some time ago became sole proprietor. The business is that of importers and dealers in fine teas, coffees, wines, liquors, and the choicest of groceries. The premises occupied are large, located corner Queen and John streets, and are in all respects convenient and well situated. The stock in groceries includes everything carried in a first-class establishment, and is of the purest and best. The firm pays special attention to quality, the return of their trade being such that goods of first rank are in steady demand. Mr. Hodgins brings to the details of the business a long and thorough experience, and unites with this experience a pride in the quality of the goods supplied to his customers. In the variety of goods handled by Mr. Hodgins, it is difficult to enumerate any special feature, for all that enters into the line of staple and fancy groceries and general food supplies are comprised in his stock, which will compete with any other house in the city for terms and superiority of imports. Their importations of liquors are also large, and among the fine goods in this line are ports, sherries, clarets, champagnes, brandies, gin, rum, Rhine wines, cordials, and also Scotch and Irish whiskeys, and the firm both wholesale and retail. Mr. Hodgins is an enterprising and honorable business man who has achieved success by his own individual efforts. He has been a resident of Toronto a number of years and is well known in business circles.

#### W. C. SENIOR.

IT is only a matter of a few years since a ready-made suit of clothing was thought to be good enough and all that was desirable, but this has undergone a phenomenal change. The thing now is to be well and correctly dressed; that is, in addition to quality of goods, the fitting of clothing must be perfect and according to the latest modes. This growth in taste

and refinement has therefore called into existence the numerous houses which make a specialty of artistic tailoring. This city has several artistic merchant tailors, but none who excel the house of Mr. W. C. Senior, whose place of business is at 739 Yonge street. The business was begun in 1885, and from the beginning this establishment has enjoyed a most excellent patronage. The work executed by Mr. Senior has been of uniform excellence always in all its features. He maintains in stock a fine class of goods for suitings and overcoats,—woollens, beavers, tweeds, meltons, worsteds, naps, and all such choice fabrics. Suits and single garments are made to order and to the taste of all customers. Fine livery suits are made to order at reasonable prices, and nothing but perfect fitting garments go out of this house, while the work is faultless. Along with the trade is also carried a fine line of gentlemen's Derby hats, soft hats, etc. Mr. Senior is a young man of most pleasing manners, and has fine business qualities. By birth he is a Canadian.

#### COULTER & CAMPBELL.

IN the production of all kinds of topper work in the city of Toronto, the representative and most noted house engaged in this important industry is that of Messrs Coulter & Campbell, whose Dominion Copper and Brass Works are situated corner George and Britain streets. This business was originally established several years ago by Messrs. W. Coulter and S. R. Campbell, both of whom are thoroughly practical and expert copper-smiths. In 1860, they erected their present spacious premises. The building is four stories high with basement 40 x 130 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with all modern machinery, operated by a forty horse power steam engine. Here they employ 50 skilled workmen, and their trade now extends throughout the entire Dominion. Messrs. Coulter and Campbell manufacture to order all kinds of distillery, brewery, confectionery, varnish, marine and sugar refiners' copper-work, and make a specialty of marine brass work and propeller wheels, and the work produced is unsurpassed for finish, reliability and workmanship, and orders are filled at the lowest possible figures. Messrs. Coulter & Campbell are widely known in trade circles for their mechanical skill and enterprise, and well merit the liberal and influential patronage secured in this useful industry.



# HICKMAN & CO.

## \* GROCERS

1424 Queen Street West.

In any summing up of the many and representative grocery houses of Toronto, the old reliable establishment of Hickman & Co. must necessarily be included. As a dispenser of food supplies, this house is a most important one to the community, carrying in stock, as it does, a very large and splendid assortment of foods and groceries. Messrs. Hickman & Co. are located at 1424 Queen street west, and occupy a spacious room 25 x 125 feet in dimensions, and well appointed for conducting the large trade which they enjoy. It is only five years since the business was inaugurated, but nevertheless the firm has established a most enviable reputation. They have a fine store, and the stock carried takes a wide range in all kinds of edibles, embracing teas, coffees, canned goods of all kinds, meat, fruit, fish, vegetables, and the very finest of dairy goods, as cheese, butter and eggs, and oysters in their season. Messrs. Hickman & Co. make "Happy Thought Baking Powder" and "Boquet Tea," their leading specialties. The house waits on families for their orders and fills and delivers the same with great promptness. They give employment to six assistants and run two wagons constantly serving their customers in the delivery of goods. A cash business is done, and hence prices are moderate. Mr. Hickman is a native of England, active, enterprising and a most popular business man.

# F. F. Cole

## Grain & Seeds

## Commission.

### ELEVATORS AT

BELLEVILLE,  
TRENTON,  
BRIGHTON,  
KINGSTON,  
Ont.,



WHITEWATER,  
BOISSEvain,  
KILLARNEY,  
LAUDER,  
Manitoba.

MAMMOTH  
WHITE  
ENSILAGE  
CORN  
A SPECIALTY  
CAR LOTS.

# R. E. MENZIE

## \* OILS

### Confederation Life Building.

Among the latest important additions to the already long list of business institutions that contribute to the general sum of industrial and commercial activity of Toronto is the establishment of Mr. R. E. Menzie, refiner of and dealer in high grades of illuminating oils, filtered cylinder, engine and lubricating oils, whose head office is in the Confederation Life Building. Mr. Menzie was for several years the Canadian representative of the celebrated Genesee Oil Works, of Buffalo, N.Y. In 1893 he purchased their Canadian business, and has since greatly extended the field of its operations. His trade covers every part of the Dominion, from Halifax on the Atlantic to Vancouver Island in the Pacific, and gives every promise of a steady increase. The barreling warehouses are located in this city and in Montreal, the oils being all imported from the United States, where they have been refined according to the best processes. Mr. Menzie handles a very superior class of goods. He is prompt and reliable in filling orders, while his unparalleled facilities enable him to quote prices to the trade and large consumers which cannot be elsewhere duplicated. He controls a full line of tank cars, and can thereby deliver in bulk to customers at any point. Mr. Menzie is a native of Canada and a wideawake, enterprising and progressive business man. The Telephone call of his office is 1364.

# SWARTOUT & CO.

DEALERS IN

## CHOICE \* GROCERIES \* AND \* PROVISIONS

1468 QUEEN STREET WEST.

A favorite headquarters for choice groceries and provisions for residents of the west side is the popular establishment of Messrs. Swartout & Co. The business has been established a period of ten years, and under the able direction and management of the firm has been successful and prosperous. The store, located at 1468 Queen street west, is large and admirably arranged, every convenience being provided for the accommodation of customers.

Six clerks are employed and two delivery teams to defy successful competition. In the assortment in constant service. The stock is unusually large and will be found the finest and best quality China, Japan and India teas, fragrant coffees, pure spices,



of energy and ability and popular with all the patrons of the house. We know of no house in the city that we can more cheerfully recommend to our readers.

canned goods, table luxuries, fruits, both foreign and domestic, of every variety, dairy and creamery butter, cheese, fresh eggs, pure milk and cream, hams, bacon and salt and smoked meats, and fish of every kind. Orders are filled and delivered promptly, and every attention paid to the requirements of patrons. Mr. Swartout is well and favorably known in this city, likewise his partner, Mr. G. Wolfe, who is an active, enterprising young man

# The Toronto Furniture Supply Co.,

\* \* ● LIMITED. ● \* \*



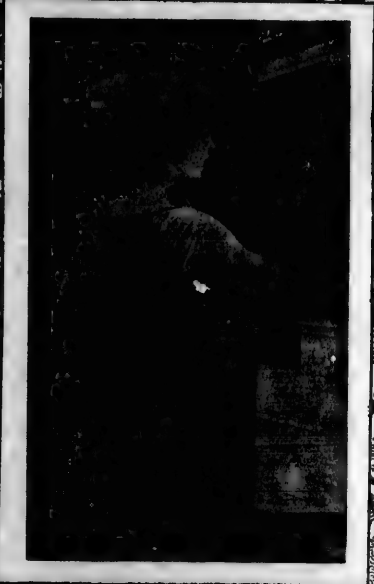
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In presenting a reliable reflex of the representative business houses of the Canadian Dominion generally, and devoting a space to the enumeration of the industries of Toronto in particular, we have great pleasure in submitting some brief remarks on the character and facilities of the firm whose name forms the caption of this condensed sketch. It is also particularly within our province to record the establishment of new enterprises in the great channels of trade, and therefore in this review of the leading industries of the "Queen City of Canada" we certainly consider the Toronto Furniture Supply Company, Limited, (next the "Mail" Building), 56 King street west, worthy of mention. This enterprise was established in March 1892, and despite a somewhat recent commercial existence, it none the less ranks as one of the leading exponents of the Canadian furniture trade. This company take first rank for having the newest designs and patterns of artistic American and Canadian furniture always displayed on their floors. Judging from the display of fine upholstered goods they well deserve the reputation of doing the finest upholstery trade in the city. A glance at their facilities and extent of establishment well indicate the importance of this firm to Toronto's commerce. They occupy a commodious four-story and basement building, 70 x 125 feet in dimensions, situated next the "Mail" building, the building being suitably subdivided into departments as follows:—First floor—Parlor and dining chairs, office stools, settees, chair and parlor frames. Second floor—Sideboards, hall stands, book cases, desks and cabinets, parlor and library tables, chiffoniers and music stands. Third floor—Furniture coverings and trimmings, upholstered parlor furniture, reed and rattan furniture, bed suites, oak, mahogany and walnut. Fourth floor—Office and lodge furniture, bed suites (medium), folding beds, springs and mattresses. Fifth floor—Dining room furniture, library and office furniture, cupboards, bureaus and kitchen tables. They are also sole agents for Toronto, Montreal and Manitoba for The Canadian Office and School Furniture Co., Limited, of Preston, Ont., whose productions of furniture for offices, schools, churches, lodges and operas, are not excelled by those of any other manufacture in America. They likewise act as sole agents for Canada for the celebrated office desks, manufactured by the firm of Messrs. A. Cutler & Son, of Buffalo, N. Y. These desks are the embodiment of perfected convenience, and all that possibly can be desired in an office desk. Their stock of office desks and furniture is the largest in Canada. Shipping direct from the factories to consumers at net factory prices enables them to quote special low values for high grade goods. Apart from the handling of this specialty, however, the enterprise of this firm has been fully illustrated by the superior character of the goods here manufactured and the influence exerted by this industry on the community justly entitles its proprietors to the consideration and esteem with which they are so widely regarded. Having thus briefly sketched the facilities of this concern, it only remains to be added that its business is conducted upon principles of strict commercial probity, and relations once entered into with it are sure to become pleasant, profitable and permanent.

# Toronto Engraving Co.

Designing  
Good Engraving  
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